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STEAMER SINKS WITH HER CREW

Soo City Wrecked While Passing From Lakes to Coast of Atlantic

FOURTEEN MEN DROWNED

Fate of Vessel Made Known by Wreckage Picked Up Near Cape Ray

Halifax, Dec. 4.—Word was received from Newfoundland today that a steamer's cabinet and furniture and sixty-five bolts bearing the name of "Soo City" have been picked up near Cape Ray, on the Newfoundland coast. Inquiries fail to bring further particulars.

Montreal, Dec. 4.—The steamer Soo City passed Montreal three weeks ago, bound for Boston from Chicago. She had been engaged in the trade of the upper lakes, and at the close of the season passed through the canal to go to the Atlantic coast.

New York, Dec. 4.—The steamer Soo City, wreckage of which is reported as having been found near Cape Ray, Newfoundland, was bound from ports on the great lakes to New York, and was last reported at Ogdensburg on Nov. 11. The Soo City was of 433 net tons, 171 feet long, 33 foot beam. She was built in 1888 at West Bay City, Mich., and haled from Chicago. She was recorded as being in the passenger service, and usually carried a crew of 28 men. The steamer Soo City was consigned to T. H. Franklin, agent, of this city. At Mr. Franklin's office it was stated that she carried no passengers.

The Soo City was ten days overdue at New York, and much anxiety has been felt by the relatives of Captain J. G. Dillon, of Brooklyn, who have heard no news of him or the steamer since she left Quebec on Nov. 14. At Ogdensburg, Mate John Casey, of Winthrop, Mass., joined the steamer.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—The Soo City was recently sold by the Indiana Transportation company of Chicago to Feltz Jackson, of Velasco, Texas, and was on her way to the gulf when wrecked. She was officered by Capt. J. C. Dillon, of New York, and carried a crew of 14 men when she left Chicago on November 5. The vessel was valued at \$35,000, and was well known as a staunch excursion steamer on Lakes Huron and Michigan. The names of the crew, in addition to Capt. Dillon, were as follows: Mate, John Casey, Winthrop, Mass.; second mate, Angus McIntyre, Chicago; first engineer, Chas. Waryck, Michigan City; second engineer, N. J. Duncan, Chicago; purser, Jas. Anderson, Montague, Mich.; officers, Frank Kelley, Alpena, Mich.; Geo. Brown, Chicago; firemen, Frank Schwinn, Michigan City and Samuel Oldfield, Chicago; coal passers, E. L. Weaver, Bowarwick, Mich., and another man whose name is unknown; chief, Max Sanders, Chicago; second cook, Chas. Warner, Chicago.

Many Families Homeless

Centralia, Pa., Dec. 4.—Sixty-five families are homeless in this city as the result of a fire, which, during last night, wiped out three squares in the heart of town. It started in a moving picture show and spread rapidly among the houses. Fire companies from Ashland and Mount Kermitt responded, but lack of water left the town at the mercy of the flames for a time. The loss is about \$100,000.

Reward Offered.

Winnipeg, Dec. 4.—Following the verdict by the coroner's jury last night on the death caused by coal oil explosions, the attorney-general's department today announced that a reward of \$1,000 would be paid to any person giving information that would lead to the conviction of the guilty parties. This action, it is to be hoped, will be the means of opening up some new lines of evidence.

NEWS SUMMARY

- 1—Tourist association's needs. Planning work on C. P. R. Steamer lost with crew.
- 2—Require more aid from the city, continued.
- 3—Heats again the bone of contention. Adams' advice on meters is accepted.
- 4—Editorial.
- 5—Note and comment. Forty years ago. About people. British opinion. Guests at the city hotels.
- 6—News of the city. Obituary notices. The weather. The mails, when closed, when due.
- 7—Confers with local members of body. Liberals protest Barnard's election. No further clue regarding disappearance of Knowles. Installing big mill plant at Mill Bay. County court opens on Monday morning. Local news.
- 8—In woman's realm.
- 9—Sporting news.
- 10—Marine news.
- 11—Social and Personal.
- 12—Real estate advertisements.
- 13—Real estate advertisements.
- 14—Trade barometer is still rising. Letters to the editor. Amusements.
- 15—International laws for warfare on sea. General news.
- 16—Classified want ads and real estate ads.
- 17—Financial and commercial. The local markets.
- 18—David Spencer Limited's ad.

Huntingdon Protest

Huntingdon, Dec. 4.—The election of James Robb, Liberal, in Huntingdon county, is being protested.

Lumbermen's Convention

Calgary, Dec. 4.—The local board of trade is to receipt of a letter from Mountain Lumbermen's association of Nelson, B.C. The Association is taking up the matter of holding a lumbermen's convention in Calgary in February next.

Tragedy Due to Jealousy.

Greenville, Miss., Dec. 4.—After fatally shooting his wife today, John Arten, a lodginghouse keeper, fired three revolver bullets into his head, inflicting wounds which, physicians said, will probably prove fatal. The shooting is said to have been the result of a quarrel due to jealousy. Mrs. Arten died within an hour after the shooting.

Wreckage in Lake Superior.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 4.—Downbound boats today reported having passed through a quantity of wreckage in Lake Superior off Vermillion Point, near Whitefish bay. Among the wreckage was a life raft. No boat has been reported here as missing. It is the general opinion that if there has been a wreck it has been an unbound boat, likely a lumber carrier.

Sugar Trust Prosecution

New York, Dec. 4.—Testimony in the suits instituted by the government to recover customs duties aggregating \$3,624,121, the payment of which is alleged to have been evaded by the American Sugar Refining Company in the course of the past six years, was taken last night and yesterday before United States Commissioner Shields. Special Treasury Agent Parr testified that the scales used to weigh sugars unloaded at the Havemeyer and Elder refinery docks in Brooklyn had been tampered with in such a manner that every lot weighed fell short of full weight by an average of fourteen pounds.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDANT

New York, Dec. 4.—The Correspondenza Romana, a Vatican organ, asserts that contrary to reports in circulation, Pope Pius has suffered a paraplegic and again has been ordered to take to his bed.

The Pontiff had practically recovered from his recent indisposition and today descended from the third floor of the Vatican, where his private apartments are to his official quarters on the second floor. There he received Cardinal Merry Del Val, the Papal secretary of state.

FROZEN IN RED RIVER

Strange Fate Befalls John F. Mortimer, Formerly Prominent Socialist in Vancouver

Winnipeg, Dec. 4.—John F. Mortimer, former president of the Trades and Labor Council at Winnipeg, who resided in Vancouver since 1909, being twice the socialist candidate in Dominion elections, is dead. His body was found yesterday frozen in the ice of the Red river. He resided at St. Vincent, Minn., just across the line from Pembina. He started to cross the Red on the ice on Thursday a week ago to come to Winnipeg. When he did not return a search was started, and the corpse was found in the ice. A diver was sent from Winnipeg before the body could be recovered. Mortimer was one of the best known labor men in the Dominion, with a wide circle of acquaintances throughout the United States. His relatives reside in Vancouver.

THIRSTED FOR BLOOD

Joseph Millroy, Who Shot Men at Dryden, Ont., Used Automatic Pistol

Kenora, Ont., Dec. 4.—Richard Dennis, who was one of the four men shot by Joseph Millroy at Dryden on Wednesday night, died this morning, and Millroy will now have to face a charge of murder. The other three men are doing well.

Several arrests have been made in connection with the affair. The preliminary hearing takes place tomorrow.

From reports received it does not appear that there was any quarrel before the shooting. Fourteen men were in the house, when suddenly, without warning, Millroy drew a Browning automatic pistol and started firing.

Millroy was arrested by Constable Rolfe of Dryden, who found him in the bush. He remarked that he would have shot the lot if he had had time.

Attack Mr. King's Seat.

Berlin, Ont., Dec. 4.—The Conservatives of North Waterloo have decided to protest the election of Mackenzie King.

More Landseekers.

Calgary, Dec. 4.—Messrs. Crapo and Robinson of Parker, Idaho, land agents of the Canadian Pacific Irrigation Colonization Company, are in the city today with a party of land-seekers.

TORONTO PRINTERS' WAGES

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 4.—An agreement on the scale of wages to be paid members of the Typographical Union in Toronto, Ont., was reached yesterday afternoon, after a conference of two days in this city between representatives of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association and the International Typographical Union. The dispute was said to be over purely local differences. The nature of the settlement effected was not made public.

PLANNING WORK FOR NEXT YEAR

Canadian Pacific Programme for West to Be Drawn Up Shortly

OFFICIALS TO WINNIPEG

Many Millions to Be Expended on Improvements and Extensions

Governor of British Honduras

Halifax, Dec. 4.—Among the passengers by the Empress of Ireland, which arrived yesterday was Colonel Swayne, Governor of British Honduras, with his wife. He has been sent by the British Government to report on the Asiatic question in British Columbia.

ARKANSAS DYKE GIVES WAY

Pine Bluff, Ark., Dec. 4.—The government dyke against which the force of the winter was thrown by the dynamiting of the opposite shore of the Arkansas river last night, gave way and the steep bank at this point is fast crumbling. Dynamiting has been resumed in an effort to relieve the present endangered section of the city.

AERONAUTIC PREDICTION

New York, Dec. 4.—Jay Gould, amateur court tennis champion, was elected a member of the Columbia University Aero Club after he had qualified for membership by reading a thesis entitled "An Aeronautic Prophecy." In it Mr. Gould promised that the next century would see aerial craft of all kinds for pleasure and for business. Jay Gould is a son of George Gould.

LIABLE TO HEAVY PENALTIES

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 4.—"Guilt" was the verdict of the jury in the United States district court here before which the Union Pacific Railway company, the Union Short Line railway, Everett Buckingham and J. M. Moore have been on trial for alleged conspiracy in restraint of interstate commerce. The defendants were indicted two years ago the allegations being that Mr. Moore, the sales agent of the coal company, with the assistance of Mr. Buckingham, then traffic manager of the Short Line, had cut off the supply of Wyoming coal going to David J. Sharp, a Salt Lake fuel dealer, because Sharp advertised coal below the prevailing prices. The jury recommended Mr. Buckingham to the mercy of the court. The maximum penalty is a fine of \$5,000 and a year in jail. Sentence was postponed pending an appeal.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDANT

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It is little wonder, then that his children should have become the inheritors of his own love for their skazki. For them he had a selection made into a beautiful book, illuminated in water color by one of Russia's most remarkable original artists, Ivan

REQUIRE MORE AID FROM THE CITY

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The financial statement of the Hon. Treasurer indicates that notwithstanding our limited appropriations we have been enabled by the economy exercised throughout the year to close the season with a small balance.

What is Necessary

The experience of this and previous years has demonstrated satisfactorily that there must be continuity in our publicity policy; that our revenues in consequence must be on an assured basis; and that as the work expands it is imperative that efficient services must be procured to direct the general operation and policy of the association. Moreover it is patent that as the general effects of municipal publicity as of all other advertising is cumulative, that we should either never have embarked on a campaign to attract people to Victoria, or, after having maintained that policy for a term of years we should decline to drop the same. To do so is to forfeit our investment. It is really unimportant who does the work or under what name it is prosecuted, but it is of prime importance that Victoria's fame be heralded next year as never before.

The requisites of this seem to be: (a) an organization, of the public, of the council, or of the Board of Trade, or representatives of all three which will manage the work and provide the funds therefor; (b) a capable and experienced publicity commissioner for the city who will give Victoria, in that capacity, the best expert advice and service as she obtains and pays well for in her other departmental offices; (c) the institution under the publicity commissioner of a press bureau which shall supply newspapers and magazines with articles on Victoria; (d) the incorporation of such a plan as a feature of municipal policy which while it could not be made binding on future councils would not be lightly disregarded by them and would insure to a degree that continuity of action without which efficient work cannot be done.

JOHN NELSON.

Association's Finances

A financial statement showing the receipts and expenditures of the association during the year was also submitted as follows:

Gentlemen—I beg to hereby submit, for your consideration, a statement of the receipts and expenditures of your association for the year 1908 to the 30th November, as follows:

Receipts

1907 balance	\$ 7.06
1907 subscriptions	175.00
City grant	4000.00
Rent	810.00
Advertisements	200.00

.....	\$ 5192.06
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Expenditure

1907 accounts	\$ 536.39
Printing and advertising	2239.53

Office expenses, including rent for whole premises, a portion of which is sublet	1249.39
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Salaries	631.90
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Postage, duty and brokerage	111.44
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Miscellaneous	37.43
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Sundries	8.25
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Balance on hand	375.73
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The financial condition from November 30th, 1908, to December 31st will be as follows:

Income

Cash on hand	\$ 377.73
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Three months' rent from sub-tenant at \$90 per month	270.00
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.....	\$ 647.73
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Expenses

Three months' debt, whole premises, at \$125 per month to 31st Dec., 1908	\$ 375.00
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Salaries of stenographer and janitor	45.00
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Advertising	50.00
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Telephone	5.00
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Light	5.00
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Unpaid bills and conges	25.00
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.....	\$ 505.00
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Balance	112.73
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.....	\$ 647.73
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The accounts due in connection with the reception and entertainment of the Arctic Brotherhood amount to \$127.25,

and will, if assumed by this association, lower the balance at December 31st, 1908, to \$15.45.

EDWIN C. SMITH,
Hon. treasurer.

Council Should Assist

A. W. McCurdy stated that at the end of the year the funds of the association would be practically exhausted and its efforts would have to cease unless the present council contributed financial aid to enable the work being carried on until the new council could decide what should be done. The question was, "Shall we continue the campaign of publicity, or shall we not?" Mr. McCurdy considered that the work of the association should be judged by the results. He had secured some interesting figures from the city assessor's office which would indicate the rapid growth in the city, the growth which he maintained, could be ascribed in a large measure, to the successful publicity campaign instituted and carried on by the Tourist association.

A reference to the records would show that in 1904, a year after the Tourist association was instituted, the city's total assessment of land and improvements, was \$15,831,380; 1905, \$18,136,154; 1906, \$18,570,135; 1907, \$21,915,050; and in 1908, \$24,610,135. From 1904 to 1908 the average yearly increase in the city's total assessment had been \$343,155 or an increase of approximately two per cent. From 1906 until 1908 the average yearly increase had been \$3,035,355, or an increase of sixteen per cent.

To a large extent, Mr. McCurdy declared, this favorable showing made by the assessment figures can be ascribed to the successful publicity given to Victoria and Vancouver Island, and undoubtedly the most active publicity agent, not only for the city of Victoria alone, but also for the surrounding districts, has been the Tourist association. In fact the growth in the city's assessment values does not fully show the success of the publicity campaign as the increase in the population and wealth of the adjoining sections of Oak Bay and Saanich must, in a very large measure, be ascribed to this advertising. The members of the association believed that by this municipal publicity and advertising the city will benefit greatly and if the work is to be successfully carried on and the best results obtained the city should, if possible, give greater financial assistance. Every class in the community will benefit and Victoria's great advantages be adequately shown to the outside world.

Paying Proposition

H. Goldie Wilson, in referring to the fact that just a year ago he had appeared before the city council on a

similar occasion, stated that since that time his opinion as to the necessity of an active and aggressive campaign of municipal publicity and the great benefits to be derived therefrom had not changed. He was a great believer in advertising and as a business man, whose interests are inseparably bound up with the progress and welfare of Victoria, he could vouch for the benefits which the work of the Tourist association has secured for Victoria. He was looking to the further advancement of the city and island consequent on the increase in population following the intelligent advertising of the Tourist association. He read clipping from eastern papers showing how this publicity idea is taking hold of the leading cities in the east and how the maritime provinces are formulating a campaign for the better advertising of that portion of the Dominion as a tourist resort as well as a district holding forth inducements to the settler. The customers are awakening to the great benefits which the western cities have secured through judicious publicity. He urged that the council should help the association through until the next year's council take a vote and can contribute towards

to come to Victoria, and unless I have to go to fill an engagement in Winnipeg and Chicago will be glad to come so as to be with you all day and the evening of the 10th of December. Will write you definitely within forty-eight hours.

I believe you have done a better work at Victoria than you give yourselves credit for. Mr. Cuthbert made your city and British Columbia, as well as himself, a part of the entire Pacific coast. Victoria is the seat of government, and especially since the building of your new hotel is one of the biggest cards we have in the tourist travel of the northwest—this will be particularly true during the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition rates of next year.

I was speaking to Mr. C. C. Chapman at length regarding your letter, and urged me to go to Victoria by all means. There is little use in my extending this communication, except to say that our interests are in common and I will be serving my city and state when I serve you.

TOM RICHARDSON,

Manager Portland Commercial Club.

The Psychological Moment.

George Carter also urged upon the council the necessity of giving financial assistance to the association, claiming that while much good work had been done in the past more would be done. The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition next year would afford the city the very best of opportunities for bringing Victoria's great attractions to the attention of thousands of tourists who would come from all over the continent to visit the fair. But now is the time when this work must be done. The Dominion government will make a suitable exhibit in which British Columbia will certainly be worthily represented and it will be a great pity if the city does not do everything in its power to induce the thousands of visitors to Seattle to come across the Sound to this city. But this work of advertising must be done before the prospective tourist has made up his itinerary. This city's attractions and advantages must be at once presented to the man intending to visit the Seattle exposition. In fact, Mr. Carter declared, the present is the psychological moment when this city has its golden opportunity of attracting hither thousands of easterners who might give Victoria the go-by unless their attention is caught before their itineraries have all been made. It will be a fatal step if the work of the association should be allowed to lapse at this particular juncture.

Major Hall, on behalf of the council, stated that he was sure the good work done by the association was fully appreciated by all and with the approach of the A.Y.P. exposition a greater work must be done. He promised that the request of the delegation would be given full consideration and everything possible would be done by the council.

Outside Testimony.

Mr. McCurdy read a letter recently received by the association's honorary secretary, John Nason, from Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial club, in answer to an invitation extended by the local Tourist association, that he should come to Victoria and address a business men's meeting on this subject of municipal publicity. Mr. Richardson's reply indicates the great value which he gets upon municipal publicity and of the importance of the work done by the local Tourist association. He writes as follows:

My Dear Mr. Nason—I can assure you that I appreciate your invitation

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as follows:

Typhoid in Reading

Reading, Pa., Dec. 3.—Up to noon today the number of typhoid fever cases in the city totalled 459. Nearly 50 cases developed since yesterday forenoon. There is no doubt in the minds of the authorities that the water supply is the source of the epidemic.

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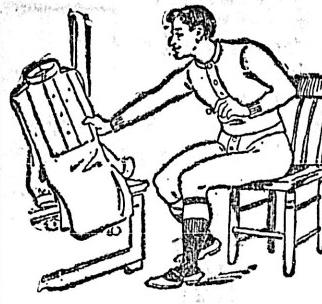
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HECATE STRAIT THE BONE OF CONTENTION

Report of British Columbia Fisheries' Commission Upon Question

This strait has always been regarded as British Columbian waters, and no fishing operations by parties not British subjects were carried on there until about fifteen years ago. As soon as it was realized that the halibut banks between Queen Charlotte Islands and the mainland coast were being marauded by foreign vessels, an order was issued by the minister of marine and fisheries at the time, warning all fishing vessels, not flying the British flag, out of these waters. The wire conveying these instructions to the officer in command of the Dominion Cruiser Qudra is dated April 18, 1896.

Hecate strait, extending from 52 degrees north latitude in Dixon Entrance, is 95 miles wide at the southern end and 24 miles across at the northern end. It communicates with the "high seas" or open ocean, by a wide entrance between Cape Scott, north end of Vancouver Island, and Cape St. James, at the southern extremity of the Queen Charlotte Island group. It is defined by land and by waters wholly British, and is included in one parliamentary constituency, viz., the Comox-Atlin constituency. It is a continuation of the narrow channel, the Strait of Georgia, Johnstone straits and Queen Charlotte Sound, a channel separated from United States waters by the boundary line defined October 21, 1872, by the German Emperor, an arbitrator under the Treaty of Washington, and it ends in the waters of Dixon Entrance, declared to be British waters under the Alaska Boundary Award of October 20, 1903.

The strait (Hecate strait) lying between two boundary lines defined by international treaties, and inclosed within the limits of a constituency, which sends a member of parliament to the House of Commons in Ottawa, has been recently claimed to be "high seas," non-territorial, and open to all the world, as though a three-mile limit or some narrow territorial limit had been defined and admitted. In the Strait of Georgia there is no three-mile limit. The whole of the waters north and east of the imaginary boundary line (formed by the 49th parallel and its continuation in a south and west direction, as described above) separating the contiguous Dominion and United States waters, are Canadian territorial waters. Any foreign vessel found fishing on the Canadian side of this boundary line is guilty of poaching, and is liable to seizure, fine and confiscation without reference to any three-mile limit. This liability to seizure, etc., applies to the waters north of the boundary line for an undefined distance. Similarly the northern boundary defined by the Alaska Boundary Award, October 23, 1903, defines British limits south, until the nearest land is reached in a direct line as the crow flies. These waters are, indeed, so essentially inclosed geographically that the very existence of Hecate straits was unsuspected by

early Pacific navigators, and so famous and indefatigable a discoverer as Captain Cook, who explored the northern portions of the Pacific ocean, during the early part of the year 1775, passed outside Queen Charlotte Islands without observing that an inshore area of great extent lay inside the sheltering land now known as Queen Charlotte Islands. When the United States claimed that Behring sea was not the open ocean, but a mere clausum, there existed the fatal difficulty that several countries bordered upon it, whereas Hecate straits is wholly in British Columbian borders shut off by Queen Charlotte Islands from the Pacific ocean, and included, as already pointed out, in the constituency of a member of the House of Commons at Ottawa. The waters are territorial Canadian waters, from which United States and other foreign fishing vessels are legally excluded. No point can be named south of this line until the 49th parallel is reached, where a foreign poacher cannot be legally seized when found fishing or preparing to fish. As Hall, the well-known authority on International Law, states, under the Protocol of 1873, the boundary, after passing the islands which had given rise to dispute, is carried across a space of water thirty-five miles long by twenty miles broad, and is then continued for fifty miles down the middle of a strait fifteen miles broad until it touches the Pacific ocean midway between Bonilla point on Vancouver's Island and Tatoosh Island light-house on the American shore, the waterway being there ten and a half miles in width.

And he lays stress on the position established, of which few instances occur in the history of international conventions:

The power of exercising control is not less when water of a given breadth is terminated at both ends by water than when it merely runs into the land and the safety of the state may be more deeply involved in the maintenance of property and of consequent jurisdiction in the case of straits than in that of gatts. Of practice there is a curious deficiency, but there is one recent case from which it would appear that both Great Britain and the United States continue to claim as territorial the waters of a strait, which is much more than six miles in width. By the treaty of Washington of 1846 it was stipulated that the boundary between the United States and British North America should follow the forty-ninth parallel of latitude to the middle of the straits separating Vancouver island from the continent, and from there should run down the middle of the Strait of Juan de Fuca to the Pacific. Thus the waters inside or east of Queen Charlotte Islands and Vancouver Island, and extending from the Alaska boundary line (from Cape Muzon via Cape Chacon to Portland canal or channel) on the north, to the 49th parallel and its southerly and westerly continuation on the south, are territorial under the treaties and decisions named. In these waters occur the most valuable halibut and salmon resorts in the world, and no measures should be neglected to preserve them, and to prevent their threatened depletion by foreign poachers.

ADAMS' ADVICE ON METERS IS ACCEPTED

Streets Committee Will Recommend the Adoption of Expert's Report

After a lengthy discussion during which the whole question was gone over and facts and figures reconsidered the streets, bridges and sewers committee at last night's session decided to recommend to the city council that the report of Arthur L. Adams, the city's water expert, on the meter question be adopted. Mr. Adams advised the city that, in his opinion, it would be advisable to let the contract for half the required number of meters, about 1,750 to T. A. Johnson, local agent of the manufacturers of the "Trident" meter, and as he believed that type "D" Worthington model, was worthy of a long test in order that its capabilities might be ascertained before the balance of the contract is let, he recommends that an endurance test of the "Trident" and "D" model be made by the city. This recommendation has already been adopted and these two meters along with the "Nash," another meter tendered upon and the third out of the entire lot for which tenders were put in, which was considered at all by the expert, are now undergoing a test at the Yates street pumping station. This test will be continued until March at which time, Mr. Adams suggested, the city could decide upon what make it would choose to complete the full order for meters.

The quotations submitted for the full amount of the three styles of meters were: Trident, \$38,518.30; Worthington, type "D" \$33,835; Nash, \$39,647.14.

The owners on Government street Toronto and Niagara streets have practically accepted the proposition recently made to them by the city relative to the widening and improvement of that portion of the thoroughfare. The city offered to pay one third of the entire cost of the work, this cost to include the amount required for the expropriation of sufficient land on either side of the roadway to make the street a uniform width. The owners suggest that the city, when the work is undertaken, will have all the wires placed underground or move the boulevard, make the street a uniform width of fifty-three feet, move back the sidewalk on the west side of Government street between Simcoe street and Niagara street and lay down a macadam and tar pavement from Toronto to Niagara streets.

The necessary bylaw to authorize the raising of funds for local improvement work on Alpha, North Park and Cook streets and Dallas road will be introduced.

FRENCH FIGHT MOORS

Engagement in French West Africa Causes Considerable Loss on Both Sides

Paris, Dec. 4.—A telegram received here from French West Africa says that a detachment of French spahis had a serious engagement with a band of Moors. The French lost in killed one Lieutenant and twelve privates, while the enemy suffered heavy losses and were routed.

Another communication received from the governor of Indo-China says that the four native leaders in the plot discovered some weeks ago to poison a detachment of French troops, and who after a trial were condemned to death, were executed yesterday.

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WHARF AT PRINCE RUPERT.

The provincial government has decided to build a wharf at Prince Rupert. This is a somewhat unusual step, of late years at least, and the reasons for it are of interest. The wharf is to be built upon property owned by the province and will be immediately in front of Market Square. It will therefore be open to the public forever and will prevent any corporation or individuals or any combination of private ownership from creating a monopoly of wharfage in the new city. The matter as it presented itself to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works involved the purpose to which this very valuable piece of water frontage should be devoted. If it were rented or sold, there would be nothing to prevent the property from passing into the ownership of the Grand Trunk Pacific, which would thereby control the whole water front, a state of things not to be desired on general principles and without reflecting in the slightest degree upon the policy which the company might be disposed to adopt. If Prince Rupert is to become the important seaport, which the railway people confidently expect, the need of commodious wharfage accommodation under public management will not be disputed, and moreover the existence of such a wharf will prevent any undue charge being made for the use of the company's wharves. It is not intended that the government wharf shall be free. A reasonable charge will be made for its use; but it will not be managed with the expectation of making a great profit. We think every one will agree with the Chief Commissioner that in laying the foundations of a new city care ought to be taken, as far as possible, to prevent anything like the absolute control of the approach from the water being in the hands of private concerns. Even during the early days of Prince Rupert the need of a public wharf, that is one under the control of the government, is likely to be greatly felt, and for reasons that hardly call for explanation. Under the circumstances we think that the course recommended by the Chief Commissioner and adopted by his colleagues will commend itself to the public.

HECATE STRAIT.

At a meeting of the Council of the Board of Trade held on Thursday the territorial status of Hecate Strait was mentioned and a decision was reached to look into the matter. We print this morning an extract from the report of the Dominion British Columbia Fisheries Commission, in which this question is dealt with. There is not very much to be added to what is therein set out. Hecate Strait is the water lying between the Queen Charlotte Islands and the coastwise archipelago. It extends from Dixon's entrance on the north to Vancouver Island on the south. At its northern end it is twenty-four miles wide and ninety-five at its southern end. It is united with the open ocean by an expanse of water about one hundred miles wide, lying between Vancouver Island on the south and the Queen Charlotte group on the north. The Canadian contention would be that a line drawn from a point three miles from the northwesterly termination of Graham Island of the Queen Charlotte group and thence southerly three miles from the shore of the islands of that group to a point off Cape St. James, and thence to a point three miles off Cape Scott and thence three miles off shore to the centre of the Straits of Juan de Fuca would be the limit of the territorial waters of Canada. The opposing contention would be that the territorial waters of Canada lie within three miles of the Queen Charlotte group on the one side, and within three miles of the coastwise archipelago on the other, which would leave an irregular body of water in the strait, eighteen miles wide at the north and eighty-nine miles wide at the south open sea. By the Treaty with Russia, which is binding upon the United States and formed the basis of the Alaska boundary award the boundary between Canada and Alaska is fixed as extending from the southern point of Prince of Wales Island eastward to Portlock Canal. It cannot therefore be successfully contended that Hecate Strait is not a closed sea on the north, because for international purposes an arbitrary line is equivalent to an actual physical division. Hence the Strait being closed on the north it stands in the same position as Delaware and Chesapeake bays, both of which are more than six miles wide, and hence are in the centre outside of what are usually called territorial waters, but are recognized as being in all parts within the jurisdiction of the United States because

both are bordered by the land area of that country. When once the three-mile limit is disregarded and ownership of the shore is taken as determining whether any water is closed or open, there seems to be no reason why there should be any distinction between a case where the width of water between the headlands is nineteen and one where it is ninety miles. The question is one of very great interest in view of the importance of the halibut fishery. It has been brought to the attention of the Department of Marine and Fisheries on several occasions, but the disposition of that department seems to be to regard the Strait as open. Is the Bay of Fundy an open sea? Is the Strait of Northumberland and the water between Prince Edward Island and Cape Breton open? It seems as if they must be, if Hecate Strait is.

A CONVERSION

The Times referring to the letter of Mr. Higgins, which we printed yesterday in regard to certain lands, in respect to which Mr. Bodwell as counsel for the province advanced a claim, says "The question is a large one and should be thoroughly discussed and debated. It is too important to be treated in silence." This is the Colonist's view. This is the view advanced in these columns more than a year ago. This is one of the matters upon which Mr. Templeman signally failed to meet the expectations of the people of this province and hence was defeated himself and lost four other seats for his party. We shall not stop to inquire if there is any connection between the conversion of our contemporary and the filing of an election petition, whereby it is hoped that Mr. Barnard will be unseated. We welcome the conversion, and trust that it will extend far enough to embrace other questions between the province and the Dominion.

We quite agree with our contemporaries that the questions raised are broad ones. We also concede that they are absolutely non-political. It is important that the respective rights of the province and the Dominion should be defined. Under one construction of the statutes the province is entitled to a very handsome sum of money from the federal government, under another construction it is not entitled to anything except what rights it may possess in the revision of the Indian reservations. The questions involved can only be properly settled by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. If the provincial government is advised that it may have valuable rights which the province does not now enjoy it would be exceedingly culpable if it did not take such steps as might be necessary to secure an authoritative decision. Now is the time to settle these questions. We grant without argument that it is the duty of the Dominion government to oppose the claims of the province if it is advised that they are not tenable in law. We also claim that the representatives of British Columbia in the House of Commons ought to assist the province as far as they are able in the presentation of those claims. There may not be much that they can do, but we venture to say that if the government of any other province was advised that there was a claim against the Dominion, which the courts might uphold, they would do everything in their power to forward the due presentation of that claim. Naturally those members who support the government at Ottawa are those to whom these observations are specially addressed, and we suggest to Messrs. Smith and Sloan that they ought to take the several questions into their careful consideration.

THE SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE

It is greatly to be hoped that the efforts about to be made by those who have taken the matter in hand to establish in Victoria a Seamen's Institute in keeping with the needs of the port will be in every way successful. St. John has just opened a fine institute, and no valid reason can be given why Victoria should be lagging in a matter of this kind. The cost will not be great, and we assume that liberal assistance can be looked for from the shipping concerns, which send their vessels to this port. It is in the interests of shipowners as well as of shipmasters and sailors, that there should be a well appointed Institute here. The matter is in the hands of an efficient organization, and when an appeal is made for the money required, there ought to be a generous response. Victoria has done well by public institutions in the past, and we feel very sure that she may be counted upon to ready to do her duty in the future. Only those who have had the opportunity of seeing the work done by the Institutes can fully appreciate their value. We are not advised of the methods that will be adopted to raise the needed funds, but doubtless as soon as they are matured the public will be informed. Meanwhile these observations may serve to direct attention to the necessity of something being done, and prepare the way for action.

A PICNIC OF PREMIERS.

We find the following paragraph in the Montreal Herald:

The other Prime Ministers certainly ought to accept Mr. McBride's invitation to go out and see British Columbia. It will take little time, but if they do it right they will spend the pleasantest couple of weeks of their lives. British Columbia has the territory of an empire with the population of a couple of small cities.

While there is one weak point in the paragraph, namely, the assumption that Mr. McBride has extended

an invitation to the other provincial premiers, there is a valuable suggestion in what our contemporary says, and perhaps it might not be a bad idea for the local government to act upon it. The original suggestion, which appeared in the Montreal Gazette, and not in the Times of this city as was stated through inadvertence in the Colonist, said that an invitation had been extended to the premiers for the purpose of discussing the claims of British Columbia. Such an invitation would be too much like the summoning of an inter-provincial conference to decide upon a question between British Columbia and the Dominion, which the provincial government has always contended is not a matter for inter-provincial discussion. But an invitation on general principles, an invitation extended in order that the premiers of the other provinces might see for themselves what British Columbia is like and come to know something of her people would be quite another matter, and if Mr. McBride could see his way clear to ask the legislature to sanction the necessary expenditure, we are sure that great good would result. Possibly benefits would follow if a similar invitation were extended to certain Liberal editors in the East, so that they might see for themselves that the Conservative editors and the members of the provincial ministry are not quite the dreadful people which an exuberant political fancy has painted them; but as this is hardly feasible, we shall confine our observations to the idea of a plenitude of premiers. This really would be a very nice sort of a thing for all concerned.

Once again, on behalf of the clerical force in the various shops throughout the city, the Colonist begs to offer its annual request to "shop early" preparatory for Christmas. The Man Behind the Counter, (and the Girl, too) will appreciate it and your own convenience will be served better.

Canada and Great Britain having "set the pace" in the matter of penny postage, Germany and the United States have quickly determined to follow suit. In the case of Germany such action was imperative, as it was found that large quantities of German mail for America were being sent to England by freight and posted there.

It is satisfactory to learn that the Board of Railway Commissioners will come to British Columbia shortly. There are several matters of importance to which they will be asked to give consideration—notably the complaints of the fruit-growers in Kootenay district in regard to alleged excessive freight rates.

One of the best short editorial paragraphs which has come under our notice for many a long day is the following from the Ottawa Journal: "The proposal to advertise Canada by means of moving pictures is based, of course, on the assurance that Canada will not stand still long enough to have any other kind of pictures taken."

The following is at the service of the Liberal members of the Reichstag without charge. Why is the Kaiser like nineteen and sixteen? Now do not all speak at once, for the matter is too serious for boisterousness. Well, Mr. Johnstone, as the Bones would say, the Kaiser is like nineteen and sixteen, because he is a little less than a sovereign.

The laymen's missionary movement recently inaugurated in Canada has attained an impetus which augurs well for success in an endeavor which cannot fail to have a tremendous uplifting influence upon the people of the Dominion. Twenty-one out of the 34 Anglican churches in Toronto have subscribed \$75,000 for this special work. This is a remarkably good showing for one city.

"O tempora! O mores!" Even the sacred precincts of the House of Lords are not immune from invasion by the germ of Radicalism which in recent years has caused John Bull so much discomfort, and now it is proposed, by the Lords themselves, to reform the upper house by replacing two hundred hereditary peers with an equal number elected by the main body entitled to sit in that chamber. "The world do move."

The Montreal Gazette seldom allows anything to appear in its editorial columns at all conducive to merriment, but it could not resist the temptation the other day, and perpetrated the following: "Another section of the Laurier Government pier at Sorrel is reported to have collapsed, the loss being estimated at \$125,000 to \$150,000. The cause is not known. Possibly some careless commercial person put coal on something on it."

Residents of the Queen Charlotte group of Islands want better steamship connection with Victoria and Vancouver, and we trust that something may be done to meet their wishes in the matter. Perhaps the business done with the Islands at present does not warrant the placing of a direct boat, but the day cannot be far distant when such a service will be imperative, in the interest of steamship companies quite as much as the settlers of the northern districts.

The Vancouver Province, which has taken Mr. Templeman under the shadow of its wing, says that during the late campaign that gentleman was the object of uncalled for personal abuse at the hands of some of his opponents. The Province has said either too much or too little. We assert that throughout the whole campaign not

one word was uttered in abuse of Mr. Templeman personally by any of his opponents, but that on the contrary he was treated with far more courtesy and respect than he extended to those who were opposing him, and we call upon the Province to make good its assertion or withdraw it.

With delicious frankness a Halifax firm which had large dealings with the Marine and Fisheries Department informed the Cassells commission "that it was necessary to charge some one a high price in order to make up for poor times. It was only by over-charging on such jobs that they were able to make the whole year pay." That rival concerns, not friendly to the government, were not crushed out of existence through the operation of such a system is the really surprising thing about the situation thus disclosed. It must be said, in all seriousness, that the revelations at the Cassells enquiry are of such a nature as to bring the blush of shame to the cheek of every self-respecting Canadian.

Figuratively speaking, the people in the Old Country are just now gazing in wide-eyed astonishment at Canada, marvelling at the wonderful way in which it survived the recent serious financial and industrial depression and at the evidences which it gives of being just about to enter upon an era of unexampled prosperity. Thus the London Canadian Gazette, in a recent issue says: "The bounds of Canadian commerce are ever widening. The other day we recorded an order of 8,000 tons of Canadian steel rails for India, an order secured in competition with the rail makers of the world. Now an Ottawa message to the Times tells us of the closing of a contract by the Dominion Iron and Steel Company with the Australian government for 16,000 tons of steel rails for the railways of the Commonwealth. Not long ago Canada supplied Australia railways with their managing director. The new order is a fitting sequel. It is also a plain notice to the world of the reality of Canadian industrialism."

In a public address in London the other day Lord Strathcona advanced a suggestion in respect to the problem of the unemployed which will be heartily endorsed at many points in Canada and particularly, perhaps, on Vancouver Island, where the process of land-clearing is being retarded owing to the scarcity of labor. His Lordship said he firmly believed that if a considerable portion of the money which was being given and rightly given, to aid the unemployed here were devoted to enabling these people to emigrate to Canada and the other colonies, it would be good for the unemployed, good for Canada and other colonies, and good for the Mother Country. They would find homes and abundance of employment there, but they would have to work. Lord Strathcona said Canada didn't want the unemployed but if some such scheme were carried out, he was confident the men sent out would soon find themselves comparatively independent, while their success would be reflected in the Mother Country.

Did it ever strike you that if Victoria and her immediate suburbs keep on growing at the present rate, we will have about eighty thousand people here by the year 1918? But that is the actual fact, and if anything out of the common should occur, if any one of the half dozen things, calculated to give the city a new impetus, should come about, that number will be reached very much sooner. Our city is now like a youth who has outgrown his clothes. It is alv to be remembered that when cities start in to grow they increase at a proportionate rate, not an absolute one. For example, if a city of 30,000 people gains 3,000 in a year, a city of 40,000 is out in this western country and under normal conditions, likely to gain 4,000. But any day something is likely to happen that will attract people to Victoria much more rapidly than ever before. Just note these things in your mental memorandum book. Remember that in a time of so-called depression the city has gained ten per cent in population in a year, with absolutely nothing out of the common to make it grow. Given the facilities for suburban communication that are required, and inside of ten years there will be more than 100,000 people living on the Saanich and Esquimalt peninsulas. To avoid mistake, we may add that Victoria is a part of the Saanich peninsula.

For reasons that are easily understandable, Lord Roberts' recent speech on the possibility of the invasion of England was regarded with much approval in France. Even those hardened in the art of "calling a spade a spade" when the psychological moment has arrived, stand agast at the absolute freedom with which the "German Peril" has been discussed on both sides of the channel. We make the following extract from a letter from the special Paris correspondent of the Montreal Star: "We suppose," say the Parisians, "that in a war with Germany the English could defend the British Isles and doubtless could even destroy a German fleet sent against them, but in the meantime Germany would have seized Paris and would hold us as a hostage. How could England release or give us assistance until the British army has been strengthened?" The Temps reminds England that it was at Waterloo and not at Trafalgar that Napoleon fell, and urges her to remember that her army was much better disciplined a century ago than it is today. The opinion is pretty generally expressed that England must come to compulsory military service. There is no other way. To continue to hold the Empire together, England must have allies. This means mutual military aid, and therefore, an up-to-date army.

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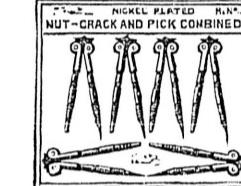
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The greatest drama in which Sardou ever took a hand was not one of his own conception. It was being played in the garden of the Tuilleries last September afternoon eight-and-thirty years ago when the Second Empire had sunk in ruins and the mob were forcing an entry into the palace. It was Sardou, says the Pall Mall Gazette, who was mainly instrumental in heading them off and in holding these undesirable visitors in check until the arrival of the National Guard. The Guard found the Imperial servants busy looting, the Empress' half-eaten breakfast on the table, the half-packed baggage on the floor. The Empress was gone, but a few minutes less might have made all the difference. The situation was eminently dramatic, and it is the dramatist who may be said to have saved it.

Even now, when methods of anarchy in Bengal have created the gravest situation since the mutiny, we refuse to adopt an alarmist and excited temper, but it is time to face the truth and to steel ourselves for as hard a task of this kind as any people has ever had to face. India is now what it is long likely to remain—the most disaffected part of our own or any other empire. It presents a problem which will prove manageable if we are unflinching, and will become appalling if we are weak. India can be held, and we shall hold it. Of that there is no doubt. All our faltering efforts up to the present point have made the situation worse. Half measures never were, and never will be, of any value in Asia. We have proved that we can legislate and administer. It is time to do something more important. It is the hour to show that we can rule. Otherwise nothing can be more certain than that for all the reluctance and hesitation we now display we and India will have to pay at compound interest on account of death and suffering such as we cannot now conceive. There has been increasing signs of late that the greatest of our difficulties in India are created by what we may call the invisible opposition. Our most obstinate and dangerous antagonists are the ones behind the purdah. That problem will tax our thought and patience for years, but nothing will prosper with us in India—neither better educational effort nor the extension of representative institutions—unless we show, and speedily, our unflinching readiness to close with active sedition and to crush it without compunction.

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NEWS OF THE CITY

In the Police Court
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The Mystic Spring.

A new and revised edition of Mr. D. W. Higgins' well known book, "The Mystic Spring," has been issued from the press of the Broadway Publishing Co., New York. Copies will be on sale at the local book stores in few days.

Women's University Club

Mr. Charles Bechune will deliver an address before the lately formed Women's University Club on "Reminiscences of a Musician" this afternoon at 2.45. The meeting will be held in the hall of the Carnegie Library.

No Judge

There has been no Supreme Court judge in town since Tuesday noon, and it is quite doubtful when there will be. Up to yesterday afternoon the registrar of the Supreme Court had received no word of any arrangements having been made in this respect.

New Travelling Libraries

Four new travelling libraries have been sent out by the Provincial librarian lately. These have been despatched to Salmon Arm, Whistler, Sloane City and Port Alberni. The latter makes the seventy-first place to receive a library since the initiation of the arrangement.

Invalid Cookery

Invalid cookery will be the subject of Miss Hall's lecture on Wednesday evening next at the fortnightly meeting of the Young Ladies' club in the lecture room of the Metropolitan church. Miss Hall is not only a graduated nurse but also a graduate of a school of domestic science.

New Bible Class Formed

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To Sell Former Church Site

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Murray's Dictionary

The Provincial Library now boasts six volumes of James A. Murray's new English dictionary. The sixth volume arrived some time ago, but the first five have only just been received in bound volumes. Some idea of the magnitude of the work may be gauged from the fact that the first volume, which only treats of words beginning with A and B, contains no fewer than 31,254 words. It is issued from the Clarendon Press of Oxford University, and represents the last word in philology. The editor, James A. Murray, is the first living authority on such matters.

"Life in Many Lands"

"Life in Many Lands" will be the subject of a lecture by Mr. A. T. Frampton in the lecture room of the Congregational church on Thursday evening next. It will be handsomely illustrated by means of a large number of fine slides which have been loaned by the American Board of Missions of the Congregational church in the United States, with headquarters at Boston, India, China, Japan and Armenia will be the countries whose manners and customs will be vividly described in words and represented in a most life-like manner upon the screen.

Concert a Success

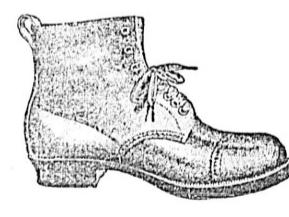
The lecture room of the Metropolitan church was crowded last evening on the occasion of the concert in aid of the Sunday school library fund, which received a very material addition. The library which is under the charge of Mr. J. Dowler, already contains over 800 volumes. The first number upon the programme, a selection by the Sunday school orchestra, was loudly applauded, and five boys, by a very ingenious use of socks and boots somewhat mystified and amused the audience by making it appear as if they were walking upon their hands. Rev. Mr. Holling, who acted as chairman in a short protracted address, emphasized the importance of providing an abundance of profitable and wholesome literature for the use of the large number of children attending the Sunday school.

Friendly Help Society.

The regular monthly meeting of the Friendly Help society was held Tuesday morning in the market building. Mrs. Perrin presided and there were eight members present. The treasurer's report showed that 32 persons had been helped during November; 16 had clothing, 16 groceries, 7 fuel, 3 miles (daily), one was supplied with a bed. Cash donations were acknowledged from the city, Mrs. Cooper, Miss Kate Angus, E. J. Bagshaw, a friend. Donations of clothing were received with thanks from the following: Mrs. Tuckey, Mrs. Angus, Mrs. D. Morrison, Mrs. George Carter, a friend, Miss Woods, Mrs. Dean, Mrs. J. E. Wilson. The rooms will be opened on Monday, Dec. 21st and a committee of ladies will be in attendance to receive donations for our Xmas work. New clothing and groceries will be thankfully received.

For Music Students.

The Victoria Musical society has decided to place the top boxes in the theatre at the disposal of students at the rate of three dollars per seat for the three remaining concerts, which is at the rate of one dollar each seat per concert. To ensure these season tickets being issued to bona fide students, they must be applied for by the music teachers of the city on behalf of their pupils, and the committee of the society will rely upon the teachers that the privilege is not abused. There are four boxes containing six seats each. The committee feel that in affording this opportunity of hearing the world's greatest artists at a small fee the pupils will be encouraged thereby to persevere in their studies and that the students, the musical profession and the musical growth of the city generally will be stimulated and assisted thereby. Application for these season tickets should be sent to Mr. Phillips, director of the Victoria Musical society.



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NOTICE.

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Notice is hereby given that a meeting of shareholders will be held at the Board of Trade rooms on Tuesday, December 8th, at 4 p. m., to receive any report of the liquidators and to pass any necessary resolutions appertaining to the company's affairs.

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., December 4, 1908:

SYNOPTIC.

Heavy rain has again fallen in California but northward in the Pacific states and throughout the Canadian provinces the weather has been chiefly fair and cold though snow has fallen at Kamloops and Quesnel. A comparatively low pressure is developing in Alberta causing there a rise in temperature, but the cold wave continues in Manitoba, where the pressure is still high.

TEMPERATURE

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	28	32
Vancouver	26	37
New Westminster	24	36
Abbotsford	19	30
Burnaby	19	30
Fort Simpson	38	42
Atlin	10	26
Dawson, Y. T.	20 below 34	34
Calgary, Alta.	8	34
Winnipeg, Man.	16 below 44	44
Portland, Ore.	36	46
San Francisco, Cal.	52	58

FORECASTS.

For 6 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Saturday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Light or moderate winds chiefly northerly, generally east with stationary or higher pressure.

Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cold.

FRIDAY

Highest 42

Lowest 28

Mean 33

Sunshine, 1 hour, 18 minutes.

THE MAILS

Vancouver and the East

Closes—Daily at 11:30 p. m. and 1:30 p. m., except Sunday.

Due—2:30 p. m., except Tuesday, and 7 p. m. daily.

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Closes—Daily at 3 p. m.

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Closes—Nov. 8, 18, 22, 24, 28,

Due—Nov. 2, 7, 8, 16, 25, 28,

Australia and New Zealand

Closes—Nov. 6, 15,

Due—Nov. 18.

Dawson, Atlin, White Horse, etc.

Closes—Nov. 3, 7, 12, 15, 18, 25, 26, 30,

Due—Uncertain.

Port Simpson, Prince Rupert, etc.

Closes—Nov. 1, 3, 7, 10, 15, 17, 18, 24,

Due—Nov. 4, 10, 14, 16, 22, 25, 27, 30,

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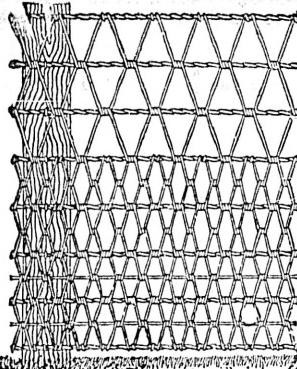
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**LIBERALS PROTESTING
BARNARD'S ELECTION**

Petition Was Filed Yesterday
—Ralph Smith's Seat is
Also Attacked

The almost invariable aftermath of a closely contested election made its appearance yesterday in the shape of a protest against Mr. Barnard's election. The petition is signed by one Peter Minckle and was filed by Col. Gregory who put up the necessary thousand dollar deposit with the registrar of the supreme court. The petition is of the stereotyped kind following the wording of the Controverted Elections act, but does not indicate the specific acts relied upon to invalidate the election.

Mr. Barnard is not attacked personally and his disqualification is not demanded, the allegation being that all the dreadful things hinted at in the petition were done by agents. In the meantime Mr. Barnard is not in the least worried. He knows that he and his friends conducted as fair and square an election as ever was fought in Victoria, and while some such move was expected as a last, desperate resort, the Conservative candidate is not losing any sleep over the matter.

It is possible that countercharges may be made. It is known that the Liberal organization made a free and corrupt use of money during the campaign, and there is a great deal of interesting evidence in the hands of the Conservative executive. This matter is now receiving the attention of Mr. Barnard and his advisers.

Nanaimo Election.

A protest against the election of Ralph Smith has also been made, and in this case, too, the petition was filed yesterday. Like the Liberal petition it follows the general wording of the act, and does not go into specific details. What evidence may be in the hands of those who are protesting Ralph Smith's election is not known, but it is a matter of common knowledge that personation was rife at Esquimalt.

Altogether it is exceedingly possible that by the time all this litigation is concluded the Liberal majority at Ottawa will be reduced by one, and that a number of prominent Liberals will be exceedingly sorry that they spoke.

Richard vs. Kynaston—An action for work done and goods supplied in erecting a building for the defendant at Calliope bay. Plaintiff claimed \$480.45. Defence is that the plaintiff was hired at \$3.50 per day, whereas he has charged at the rate of 50 cents an hour. The account is disputed and \$500 counterclaimed for damages for alleged unskilful work and unlawful retention of pay. J. A. Alkman for plaintiff and A. J. Kitto for defendant.

B. C. Marine Railway Co., vs. Stewart & McEachern—An action to recover moneys secured by a bond given to the sheriff in a replevin action. Amount claimed is \$200. Defendants deny signing the bond and say that the conditions contained in any bond have been fulfilled. Also that the plaintiffs have been guilty of laches. Eberts & Taylor for plaintiff, McMiff & Bird, of Vancouver for defendants.

Wetenhall vs. Brackman & Ker—A claim for \$300 by way of damages for breach of contract. It is alleged that certain wheat sold was not according to agreement. Defendants claim that wheat was sold without any stipulations. E. J. Prior for plaintiff and Barnard & Robertson for defendants.

Jay & Garrard vs. Sutton—The plaintiffs sue for \$500, the amount of a check given in part payment of some timber lands, which was stopped at the bank. The defendant states that the plaintiffs did not carry out their agreement, and that he gave the check under a misapprehension. As a result of the agreement not being adhered to, defendant claims he has suffered damages. Barnard & Robertson for plaintiffs and McPhillips & Heisterman for defendants.

C. P. R. vs. Oliphant—An action for \$10,194, balance alleged to be due on freight bill. The railway company says that by an error a bill for less than the legal rate was made out. This was paid, and now the company sues for the amount of the mistake. Defendant says that he paid in good faith the bill presented him and further that he paid for some goods billed him by mistake for which he counter-claims \$25. G. A. McMullen for the C. P. R., and McPhillips & Heisterman for the defendant.

Youlden vs. Tulk—A claim by a waitress for \$17 for wages earned. The defendant denies the agreement and says plaintiff left his employ without notice in the middle of the month. Bradshaw & Davie for plaintiff, and George A. Murphy for defendant.

Frank Crompton vs. B. C. Electric Co., A claim for \$1,000 damages for an electric shock. The plaintiff was sawing wood in his cellar when his saw touched an electric light wire with the result that he was so severely burned that he had to go to hospital.

The defendant deny any liability, and say that in any event the accident was due to the plaintiff's negligence or else was an unavoidable accident. J. A. Alkman for plaintiff, and McPhillips & Heisterman for defendant.

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"It's my father's half sister and her three boys," said the pupil anxiously, "and mother doesn't see how she can do without me because those boys always act so dreadfully."

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LADIES' MUSICAL

Interesting Programme to Be Rendered Today in St. John's Hall

An interesting programme of miscellaneous selections will be presented by the Ladies' Musical club this afternoon in St. John's hall at 3:30. Miss Robson and Miss Madge Wolfenden will open the concert with a piano duet, in the form of a Haydn "symphony." Two vocal solos, "Until God's Day," by Dudley Buck, and "Liza Lehmann's "Blind Cupid," will be contributed by Mrs. Hilton. Hensel's "Gondola" and Moszkowski's "Polonaise, Opus 11," are to be played by Miss Olsen.

Mrs. Helen A. Brydges will contribute a group of songs by Mattel and Shira, Miss Shallcross, pianist, also is to take part. Her two numbers will be an Etude of Hellers and Passant Len Steppes by Schytte, while the concluding number is to be Gregor's "Romance" with variations, Opus 51, for two pianos, interpreted by Mrs. Dennis Harris and Mr. Benedict Bantly. The programmes of the club are arousing special enthusiasm this season, and the audiences have been both large and appreciative. This afternoon's event will appeal to all music lovers, for it is representative of many styles of composition; while the ability of the performers is an indication that this, the fourth event of the series, will be a popular as well as an artistic success. Many new members and increasing interest in the organization must be a source of gratification to Mrs. Frank Barnard, president; Miss Dorothy Day, secretary, and other officers or members of committees.

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Fighting "White Plague"

At the tuberculosis educational exhibition recently held in Montreal, Dr. A. J. Richer, delivered a lecture on "Immunity from Tuberculosis" of which the following report appeared in the Gazette:

Dr. Richer explained that by the term "immunity" he meant protection or resistance, and went on to say that people who recovered from a bacterial disease were considered immune for a variable time. In tuberculosis we had that bacterial immunity, and there were clinical proofs of this immunity in something like 60 per cent. of all children of school age. Children had a wonderful power of recuperation and they almost always recovered from tuberculosis invasion except where the brain nerves were affected. The adolescent period, however, was a critical one, and everything should be done to give the child a resisting power to tide over that period.

People who live in cities and had to congregate together knew that every day some of them, perhaps most, infested a few germs of tuberculosis. Statistical data showed that most people when they reached the age of 50 were affected with tuberculosis. They did not know they had it, it passed off. Between the ages of 30 and 50 it was pretty generally admitted that few, if any, people living in large cities had escaped infection. There must have been something left behind, and that something was immunity, protection.

There is some ground for these feelings, cannot be denied. No one can work beyond, or even to the limit of her strength without suffering physically if not mentally and spiritually. On the other hand a woman of intellectual attainments and of refined taste can, if she has leisure pursue those occupations which will not only tend to self-improvement but will enrich and elevate all with whom she comes in contact. But a little reflection will show that household work does not prevent a woman from being beautiful as well as refined and good and that those who have leisure do not always grow wiser, better or lovelier.

There were among the daughters of the pioneers of eastern Canada many women who had few advantages of education. They had to work hard not only in their own homes, but often were obliged to assist their husbands and brothers in the fields. They brought up large families and had little time or opportunity to read. They, as a rule, attended church regularly and were familiar with the Bible. They lived, many of them, to a good old age. But who that recalls their venerable faces does not feel how wrong they are who think that toil and care endured, as they were, for love's sake left upon them any trace of rudeness or vulgarity.

In this city and province many women gently born and carefully educated were obliged for a quarter of a century and more to engage in work to which as girls they were totally unaccustomed. No one who meets these ladies in the evening of their days, when in many cases they are again able to enjoy the material comforts which surrounded them in youth, believes that the hard work which they did took from them their refinement or rendered them less intelligent. The truth is that work, whether mental or physical, does far less harm to the healthy woman than idleness and luxury and housework is far less exhausting than fashionable pursuits and social ambitions.

In the adult tuberculosis of the lungs particularly, seldom came suddenly. It always seemed to attack the person under cover. In other words, the disease came in wearing a mask, but it was usually thin enough to permit of seeing what actually took place behind. The masks usually worn might be classified under the heads of pneumonia, even if some years before; typhoid fever, which very often masked the symptoms of tuberculosis; debility, anaemia, influenza, colds, bronchitis. As one of the means to prevent dissemination of the disease, sputum should at all times be destroyed, no matter whether it came from a person who was sick or one who was well.

Lady—You look robust. Are you tired to the task of sawing wood?

Tramp—Equal isn't the word, mum. I'm superior to it. Good mornin'.

A Song of Beauty.

Oh, sing me a song of beauty! I'm tired of the stressful song,
I'm weary of all the preaching, the
arguing right and wrong,
I'm faint to forget the adder that under
the leaf lies curled.

And dream of the light and beauty
that gladdens the gray old world!

Oh, sing of the emerald meadows that
smile all day in the sun!

The ripple and gleam of the rivers that
on through the meadows run!

Oh, sing of the sighing branches of
trees in the leafy woods,

And the balm for the heart that's
hidden afar in the solitudes!

The birds—let them sing in your singing
and flash through the lines
you write.

The lark with his lit in the morning,
the nightingale charming the night,

The butterfly over the flowers that
hovers on painted wings—

All these, let them brighten and lighten
the beautiful song you sing!

And let there be faces of lovers, and
let there beings that glow,

And let there be tears of gladness instead
of the tears of woe,

And let there be clinging kisses of lips
for a time that part,

But never a tristful shadow to darken
a trustful heart!

Ay, sing me a song of beauty—away
with songs of strife!

Away with the specter of sorrow that
saddens the most of life!

Though under the leaf the adder is curled,

Oh, sing for a space of the beauty
that gladdens the gray old world!

Dennis A. McCarthy, in New York Sun

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per and Anne Hathaway, and sweet alissum grown from seeds which the author gathered in the streets of Pompeii.

Kate Douglas Wiggin has a delightful garden at Quillcot, her Maine summer home. Marcella Holley, who as "Josiah Aileen's wife" created for herself a whimsical literary spouse who has been much more profitable to her financially than many real ones, has a great garden pond at her home in the hills above Adams, N. Y.

The "hardy garden" which Celia Thaxter made on the Isle of Shoals is still a thing of beauty and an object of touristic pilgrimage.

Margaret Deland cultivates bulb window garden in her New York city home each winter, and sells the flowering plants at Quillcot time for market.

The girl was sent to the house of a prominent Torontonian who was rumored to be dead. The city editor told her to get a good write-up, and work in a little of the sobbing-sympathy stuff. She determined to do her best, but when she arrived at the house and inquired of the maid if the report of the death were true, she was rather surprised to learn that it was not.

"He is not dead," explained the maid, "but he cannot live many minutes now."

By this time the girl reporter had recovered her nerve.

"Thank you, I'll just go in and wait if you don't mind."

The maid was a bit surprised, but showed her into the drawing room. In a few minutes the news came that the dying man had passed through the doors of death, and then Miss Reporter got busy, gathered the particulars of his life and illness, and wrote a fine story for her paper. Also, it proved to be a "scoop" which mightily pleased the city editor.—Toronto Saturday Night.

Dangerous Chocolates.

How many people know that when their children are munching those fascinating little chocolate candies which are so common, they are probably taking varnish into their small mouths? H. B. Smith, chief of the United States laboratory at Boston, says this is one of the ways in which some of the manufacturers of chocolate products continue to defy the national food law. In a speech at the recent convention of the Association of State and National Departments, Mr. Smith describes the various forms of adulteration of chocolate. Mineral matters are used as fillers, weight carriers and for lending color. Coal tar dyes, too, are employed as coloring agents. Chocolate chips having bits of wood mixed with the brittle sugar filler. But the most prevalent and dangerous of adulterations is the use of shellac coating on chocolate candies. Scientists, Mr. Smith says, unfortunately have not touched on "the digestion of varnish or any other form of wood finish," but it is not necessary to be a scientist to know that anything so uncommonly sticky and insoluble as shellac must be very indigestible.

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The Sporting World

AMATEUR UNION WAS ORGANIZED

Representative Meeting of Victoria Athletic Clubs Held Last Evening

A NEW START PROPOSED

Local Sportsmen Will Be Registered Under C.A.A.U. Regulations

James Bay, Victoria West, Y. M. C. A., and the Coronas, were represented in the persons of D. O'Sullivan, A. Monolith, A. J. Brace and G. Palmer, respectively, at the meeting held last night at the Young Men's Christian Association rooms to organize a local branch of the British Columbia Amateur Athletic Union. The proceedings were marked by encouraging unanimity and the outcome of a lengthy discussion was the passing of a resolution providing for the formation of the proposed club without dissension.

Mr. O'Sullivan was voted to the chair. He explained, in detail, the object of the suggested local organization. It would provide a basis upon which it would be possible to build up clean and wholesome amateur sport. He did not think that anyone would deny that at present the rules, applied to amateurism and professionalism by the C. A. A. U. were not given consideration by Victoria athletic associations. If they were taken into account at all, their provisions were very loosely enforced. It was hoped, through bringing the clubs together by means of a local union, that they should be made thoroughly conversant with the Canadian regulations and agree to abide faithfully by them. If such a body were formed it would be possible to appoint a representative to attend the annual meeting of the B. C. A. U., which was to be held today at Vancouver, in the interests of the city.

Rendell's Status

The James Bay delegate's remarks brought up the question of the status of the Rendell baseball team's players who, last summer, caused a split in the local amateur senior league because it was considered that they had professionalized themselves by accepting a game with the Chicago ladies' aggregation. Mr. Hutcheson, who was present in his own behalf to gather information, raised this point, and it was made clear to him that the contemplated union, if formed, would mean "starting anew" for everybody. All local athletes, with the exception of those who had officially been designated by the C. A. A. U., would receive their credentials on registration and, unless they flagrantly violated the ruling, they would remain "amateurs in good standing."

This closed the debate, it being agreed that it would be in the best interests of sport that a local branch of the union should be formed. As stated this step was taken, the motion being carried unanimously. It was agreed that the election of officers and the transaction of other business of detail should be deferred to next week, when a general meeting of all the Victoria associations will be arranged.

MATCH MONDAY

North Ward and James Bay Basketball Teams Play at Assembly Hall

The North Ward and James Bay basketball teams will play in one of the senior league matches on Monday evening at the Assembly rink. At 9 o'clock the two sides will line up, playing right through with the exception of the usual half intermission at half time. As the players for both clubs have been hard at work in preparation there is every reason to believe that it will be a first class exhibition.

Off For Vancouver

The Victoria Association football eleven left for Vancouver last evening to meet Vancouver in P.C.L. fixture. They were accompanied by a number of their admirers who are

TODAY'S FIXTURES

2.30 p.m.—Victoria vs. Vancouver in British Columbia league match at Oak Bay grounds.
2.45 p.m.—Garrison vs. Fifth Regiment in exhibition soccer game at Work Point.
3 p.m.—North Ward vs. Beacon Hill junior soccer league match at Beacon Hill.
3 p.m.—Regular practice of Victoria ladies' and men's hockey teams at Beacon Hill.
Note—Local senior league association football matches have been postponed owing to the necessity of Victoria representative team filling P. C. L. date in Vancouver.

sworn to do what they can towards cheering them on to victory.

Exhibition Game

The Garrison and Fifth Regiment association football teams will play an exhibition match at Work Point this afternoon. The teams will line up at 2.45 o'clock and the representatives of the Militia club are asked to catch an early car.

TWO HOCKEY CLUBS SPARRING FOR TIME

Seattle Can't Fill Today's Date With Vancouver—Garrison Want Postponement

The international league hockey match, which should take place today between Vancouver and Seattle on the Mainland, will not be played because the Americans find it impossible to get together an eleven to fill the date. Therefore the contest has been called temporarily. Probably it will be held early next month.

Another announcement, in connection with the series for the championship of the North Pacific, is that emanating from the Garrison, the purport of which is that they cannot fill their this month's fixtures. They expect to be in shape next month, but not before.

Under the circumstances, the schedule drafted some weeks ago at a meeting of the Union held in Victoria will be slightly smashed. It is not unlikely that, before it is continued, steps will be taken in the direction of a general revision satisfactory to all the clubs participating.

Practice Today

A practice of the Victoria Hockey club will take place this afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock, at Beacon Hill grounds.

FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Although the date and the conditions of the forthcoming championship heavyweight bout between Tommy Burns, the Canadian, and Johnson, the colored gentleman, have been several times mentioned by the press, there seems to be some doubt and difference of opinion in sporting circles on these points. Therefore, it would not be out of place to again publish for the benefit of readers, the full particulars. They follow. The fight to take place in Sydney, Australia, on Dec. 26, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, Victorians will know the result by 9 o'clock on Christmas night. Eight in a 16-ft. ring; referee not to break the men, who are to fight themselves free; fight to a finish; either man can wear fingerless kid gloves or soft bandages next to the hands, but not both; Burns to receive \$30,000, win, lose or draw; Johnson to receive \$5,000 and expenses, win, lose or draw; syndicate to select referee 30 days before contest.

JUNIOR SOCCER MATCH TODAY

Beacon Hill and North Ward Elephants Play—Personnel of Teams

This afternoon at Beacon Hill grounds the Beacon Hill and the North Ward junior teams will line up for the second time this season in one of their league games. The match commences at 3 o'clock. As the North Ward team is considerably weakened by the loss of a number of their regular players, who now are in the second division, it should be a close and interesting game. The Hills will have to win to hold the premier position.

The following players are requested to be on hand for Beacon Hill: Petch, Wales, Jenkins, Loveridge, McDonald, P. O'Rourke, James McDonald, E. J. McDonald, Lindsay, Chances, L. O'Rourke, Bolton, Baker. The following will line up for North Ward: Meldrum, Sedger, Bryden, Meshier, Eckler, Walker, O'Leary, McDonald, Johns, Lane, Humber.

NEW YEAR'S ROAD RACE ANNOUNCED

Splendid Seven Mile Route Announced By Y.M.C.A.—Local Men Training

Local long distance runners, and all provincial amateurs who care to come here to try conclusions with them, will have an opportunity to give a public demonstration of their speed and stamina on New Year's day when will be held the annual road race under the auspices of the Victoria Young Men's Christian association.

Although the names of those who contemplate taking part have not been divulged it is understood that there are four men already in training for the event. With these alone a first class competition is assured. But when the men line up there is no doubt that the number mentioned will be materially augmented.

The race is for seven miles approximately, it being impossible to mark out that distance exactly. But the route outlined is as near that length as can be arrived at through the judgment of a number of expert track men. Starting at the association rooms, Broad street, the contestants will run to Yates street, thence to Government, then south to Belleville, along the

SCHOOL LEAGUE GAME.

A school league association football match will be played between the High School and North Ward teams this morning, starting at 10.30 o'clock, at the Royal Athletic grounds.

The contest should be interesting as it is believed that the rival elevens are evenly balanced.

The personnel of the Victoria West team is as follows:

Goal: Brown; fullbacks, McQuade (E.) and Gray; halfbacks, Tait (D.), Stewart and Muir; forwards, Winsby, Tait (F.), Spall, O'Kell and Ross.

OAKLAND RACES

Favorites Not Fortunate—Entries for Today

Oakland, Dec. 4.—The racing today was good although the favorites had a bad day but every horse that won was well played. The main event on the card was won by Mauritia, backed from 12 down to 7. Miss Mazzoni, the horse that was claimed out of selling and formerly owned by Mr. Wheatcroft, the Victoria horseman, won the fifth handicap.

The results were as follows:

First Race—Trust 5, Queen Bessie 15, Burnell 10.

Second Race—Bucolic 3, Pan Avon 9, Billy Bowlegs 10.

Third Race—County Clerk 7 to 2, Byngdale 5, Fiddlette 7.

Fourth Race—Mauritia 7, Listowel 5, Force 3 to 2.

Fourth race—Miss Mazzoni 4½, Captain Kennedy 4½, Elevation 29.

Sixth Race—Confederate 5½, Beechwood 4½, Ecklers 4½.

The following are entries for December 10, 1908:

First race, sell 3 miles—Ga Ga 105,

Hankie 105, Cedars 105, Gold Wave 105, Paladins 105, Zick A Abrams 105, Ray Bennett 105, Bravote 104, Expectant 95.

Second race, 3 miles—J. C. Core 112,

Nabobius 112, Ellerd 110, Gen. Bessie 105,

Tawestheen 108, Wap 105, Rockstone 103, May Amelia 105.

Third race, Stanford handicap, 1 mile—

70 yards—Dorito 117, Montgomery 116,

Tony Faust 100, Eyebright 100, Crean 90.

Fourth race, Crocket selling, 1 mile—

Denique 101, Sewell 109, Pendleton 107,

Cressing 104, Fr. Flittner 102, Import 102, Tony Faust 100, Bellweather 100, Spooner 100.

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile and 100—

Billy Pullman 110, Raleigh 103, Nadzu 103,

Plausible 102, Katie Powers 101,

Okenta 103, Fancy 99.

Sixth race, O'Tallor handicap, first

course—Ross Ben 128, Pajorita 104, Coll Jessup 102, Bon Homme 85, Berry Maid 115.

Fortsby's entry.

COLLEGIANS WIN

Oak Bay Junior Soccer Team Defeated Yesterday in Splendid Match

Curious, and somewhat amusing, is the muddled frame of mind of Vancouver hockey players with reference to the fixtures in the international league. Today they should play Settles on their own grounds, and yet, during the past week, according to the press they have been laboring under the impression that the Victoria team was to be their opponents.

COLLEGIANS WIN

Oak Bay Junior Soccer Team Defeated Yesterday in Splendid Match

Yesterday afternoon the Corrig college and Oak Bay soccer teams met on the Beacon Hill grounds for the third time, and once again the college asserted their superiority by defeating their opponents with the score of 3 goals to nil. In the first half, play proved very even, and although the visitors had the advantage of the hill, they failed to penetrate the home defense. Towards the close of the first half, S. Hawksley secured a throw in close to goal, and immediately

the ball went into the net.

Critic's Opinion

A Vancouver critic, in estimating the

WILL NOT DESERT CANUCK ASSOCIATION

Kennel Club Turned Down Important Proposal at Large Attended Meeting

The Victoria Kennel club will not desert the C. K. A. in favor of the American Kennel association. That proposal was discussed at a largely attended meeting of the organization held last night at the offices of T. P. McConnell. Those in favor outlined their arguments. They said that it was difficult for local fanciers to obtain championships for their dogs in one season, while the club affiliated with the C. K. A., because there were only two-three points shows, namely, those of Victoria and Vancouver. If the local organization was a part of the C. K. A., it would be possible to enter in all the shows of the Pacific coast, thus without difficulty obtaining for their high-class canine the highest possible standing in one year. Others present, however, did not think it would be proper or wise to sever connection with the C. K. A. Thereupon the matter was put to a vote, the outcome being that the motion was snowed under. It was decided to hold a number of parlor shows, embracing both cats and dogs during the winter months. An understanding was reached that the first would take place next month. Applications for membership were received from about sixty local fanciers. All were accepted and duly enrolled.

chances of the respective teams in today's game, says:

"I have been asked whether the representative team is strong enough to

beat Victoria at Oak Bay on Saturday.

I think, provided the selected men can

get away, that it is, and in giving this opinion, I do not overlook the fact that Victoria have fielded a most capable

XV, and that never in the history of

the game has a Vancouver team had

anything but the stiffest kind of a

fight and many unpleasant surprises in the Island town. My reasons for looking

for a desperately won victory for the Pacific Coast champions are that,

generally speaking, their backs are

fully equal to Victoria's and the for-

wards should have a shade the better

of the argument.

"Good as young Johnston is at full-

back, I consider Dick Bell-Irving quite

his equal at Klecking and Fielding, and

better at tackling. At three-quarters,

Gibson and McLorg cannot be deemed

one whit inferior to Vincent and Merle-

dith on the wings, while Rus Johnston and

On the Waterfront

CHARMER FLOATED —ON WAY HERE

Will Be Brought to Esquimalt
Today to Be Hauled Out
For Repairs

DISCIPLINE WAS EXCELLENT

Passengers Tell of Accident to
Local Steamer in Vancouver Narrows

The steamer Charmer was temporarily repaired yesterday by the wrecking crew of the steamer Salvor and tug William Jolliffe of the B. C. Salvage company and will arrive at Esquimalt today. No difficulty was experienced. The hole torn by the corner of the scow towed by the tug Bermuda was a large one, about thirty feet in length under the guard, but the damage was all confined to the fore compartment. Planks and canvas were made fast to patch the sore place and with a big pump on board to keep her practically free of water the Charmer will proceed to Esquimalt today, convoyed by the salvage steamers. She will be hauled out for repairs without delay.

The passengers of the Charmer arrived here yesterday morning on the steamer Princess Victoria and in their stories of the accident the general impression is that the discipline on board the Charmer was excellent. It was like that of a warship, said one. Many were in the dining room when the accident occurred, the tug and scow swinging against the Charmer's side in a tide rip at the Narrows. There was a considerable jar but the stewards seemed so complacent and waiters went on with their work that some remained in their seats. Then a waiter came and asked them to go on deck where the stewards handed out life-preservers. Meanwhile the steamer was being beached on the north shore. One man insisted on a goodly share of life preservers, having no less than three tied on him.

The forward compartment filled quickly, putting the steamer down by the head, but there was not much danger. The Joan came over to where the vessel was beached and took off the passengers. The crew remained by the steamer, waiting the salvage steamers which arrived during the early morning, and after daylight connected their pumps. The injured side was patched and the pumps were set to work to free the flooded forecastle, the forepeak being dry.

POWHATAN ARRIVES TO JOIN MACKENZIE LINE

New Steamer Reached William Head
Yesterday From Hongkong—
Many Improvements

The steamer Powhatan bought by the Mackenzie Steamship company at Hongkong, Captain Turner, arrived at William Head quarantine station yesterday morning, 31 days from Hongkong, and after her Chinese crew had been disinfected, proceeded to Vancouver to be remodelled for service on the Prince Rupert trade. The Powhatan, which will be rechristened the Rupert City on arrival, had a rough passage across the Pacific, encountering a series of gales. She will be equipped with wireless telegraph apparatus by the United Wireless company, and will have passenger accommodations and saloons built at a cost of from \$12,000 to \$15,000. The steamer cost about \$55,000 at Hongkong. The improvements planned by the Mackenzie Steamship Company include two berth cabins to accommodate 150 first class passengers, a dining saloon to seat the same number on the upper deck, and steerage accommodations for 250 passengers in the between decks.

The Powhatan was formerly engaged in the carrying of Chinese coolies between Hongkong and Salina Cruz under charter to the Chinese Commercial line (Eng Kok Tong and company) and has been tied up recently at Hongkong. She was owned by the Watts-Watts company of Liverpool. The vessel is a steel screw steamer with spar deck, with poop, bridge and forecastle. She is 2,536 tons register, 100 A 1 at Lloyds, and was built at Barrow in 1886. The dimensions are 310.3 feet long, 33.1 feet beam and 25.2 feet deep. She has triple expansion machinery with four cylinders, two 18 inches, and others 33 and 69 inches in diameter. She is not a fast vessel, her average being eleven and a quarter to eleven and three quarter knots. She has four cargo hatches and 747 tons of water ballast.

HOW BULKHEADS WERE IMPROVED

Charmer Accident Calls Attention to Progress Toward the Unsinkable Steamer

The first reports of the accident to the steamer Charmer at Vancouver stated that "after the collision the Charmer commenced to sink." The steamer would have floated, however, had she been practically cut in two between the bulkheads and the only effect of the flooding of her forecastle, where the big hole was torn on the starboard side, would be to throw the steamer's head down in the water. The bulkheads of the Charmer were renewed when the steamer underwent her big overhaul about two years ago and are in excellent condition.

It was in the seventh that the first bulkheads were built in steamers. The first made was a steel wall twelve feet abeam the bow, from keel to deck, known as the collision bulkhead. This was the first step. Engineers afterward evolved the next phase of the "unsinkable" ship, bulkheads at each end of the engine room and stockhold.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE

Special to the Colonist

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Clear, with northeast wind, 26 miles an hour. In an oil steamer at 6:40 a.m.; a steamer at 7 a.m. Port Crescent, 8 a.m.—In steamer Wellington at 8 a.m. Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy, wind northeast, 22 miles an hour. Port Crescent, noon—In, the Col. E. L. Brake, at 11 a.m.; the steamer Powhatan at 5 a.m. for Victoria from Hongkong.

By Wireless

Cape Lazo, 8 a.m.—Part cloudy, calm, 29.98 temp. 32. Sea smooth. At 8 a.m. steamer Santa Clara spoken as she passed out.

Point Grey, 8 a.m.—Clear, calm, thick fog. Bar. 30.03, temp. 31.

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Clear, with northeast wind, 28 miles an hour. Bar. 30.07, temp. 41. In, oil steamer at 6:40 a.m.; also two-masted sloop at 7:30 a.m. Estevan, 8 a.m.—Clear and calm. Bar. 30.13, temp. 34. Sea smooth.

Pachena, 8 a.m.—Clear, light easterly breeze. Bar. 29.93, temp. 28. Sea smooth.

Cape Lazo, noon—Clear and calm. Bar. 30.02, temp. 38. Sea smooth. At 11 a.m., southbound, a fishing steamer, with black hull and funnel and two masts.

Point Grey, noon—Calm, fog thick. Bar. 30.04, temp. 40. At 10 a.m. spoke steamer Quadra at Ladysmith.

Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy, wind northeast, 22 miles an hour. Bar. 30.07, temp. 45. Passed small Canadian coast steamer. Steamer Leebron passed up at 11 a.m.

Cape Lazo, 6 p.m.—Clear and calm. Bar. 30.22, temp. 33. Sea smooth. No slipping.

Point Grey, 6 p.m.—Part cloudy, calm, fog. Bar. 30.03, temp. 37. Out, steamer Moana, at 2:20 p.m.; steamer Queen at 2:30 p.m., bound to Bellingsham; steamer Strathearn at 4 p.m.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, wind northeast, 24 miles an hour. Bar. 30.06, temp. 44. Out, the schooner Robert Searles, at 1:50 p.m.

Estevan, 6 p.m.—Clear, calm. Bar. 30.14, temp. 41. Smooth sea. No slipping.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Clear and calm. Bar. 30.01, temp. 36.

By Coast Wire

Carmanah, 6 p.m.—Light east wind, fine and clear. Smooth sea. Bar. 30. A large steamer bound to the westward.

Cape Beale, 6 p.m.—Light north wind, clear, sea smooth.

Then came the Guton liner Arizona, late in the seventies, with collision bulkheads and the holds divided with watertight walls. When the Arizona was tested, by hitting an iceberg on the Grand Banks, the arrangement showed its value. The bow was crumpled and the forepeak was filled, but the water went no further, and the Arizona's escape was the marine sensation of the day.

For a time the steamers equipped with bulkheads were regarded as unsinkable, and then came the Elbe disaster in 1892. A colliding steamer struck the Elbe's stern and ripped a great hole, several compartments being opened and the vessel filled and sank. This tragedy called attention to the need of not only better life-saving facilities, but also better bulkhead arrangements. Compartments were increased and made smaller, and nothing disturbed the complacency of the builders until seven years later, when in 1899, the ship Cromartyshire rammed the French liner La Bourgogne, and she went down with 500 lives. She was struck in the side and was less than an hour in sinking. Despite her watertight the French vessel went down as quickly as the Arctic, Oregon, and other vessels of the pre-bulkhead days. It seems the crew, panic-stricken, omitted to close the bulkheads, which were closed by hand then. Now they are closed by hydraulic pressure automatically. The Kronprinz Wilhelm was the first vessel equipped in this manner. A year ago these were amply tested in a collision at Hoboken with the British steamer Crown of Castile. Less than twenty seconds are required to shut these doors, the captain being informed on the bridge by little red globes which light up as the doors close. Mechanical contrivances have also been made on large liners whereby the doors close automatically if water rises in the compartment to a depth of two feet.

MOANA CARRIES BIG CARGO TO ANTIPODES

Canadian-Australian Steamer Sailed Last Night—Movements of Other Liners

The steamer Moana, of the Canadian-Australian Line, sailed from the outer wharf last night, carrying a large cargo of general freight. There was also a large complement of passengers. The steamer Indravelli, of the Canadian-New Zealand line, is due from the Antipodes, having left Suva on November 16. She is bringing 1,600 tons of sugar, and will load a full cargo outward including 3,000,000 feet of lumber. The steamer Amiral Ory is due from Hayre via the far east. The next vessel of this line expected is one of the larger steamers of the fleet, the Corse, which reached Shanghai on Tuesday. The steamer Suverie of the Weir line, left Yokohama on Wednesday and is due here on December 18, having 150 tons of general freight for this port. The Kumerie reached Manila from here on November 27. The Belcheron, of the Blue Funnel line, passed.

PLYMOUTH HAS LARGE HARBOR WORKS SCHEME

Ambitious Project to Enclose a Thousand Acres of Water in New Ocean Port

Plymouth is the latest of the world's ports to prepare a harbor works scheme. The ambitions of Plymouth to become a terminal port for ocean liners has always been restricted by the fact that the deep water of her harbor has been monopolized by the admiralty. Time after time important schemes have been abandoned owing to the attitude of the naval authorities but next session parliamentary powers are to be sought to establish new docks the largest in the United Kingdom. The proposed site is at Wembury bay, which is situated between Plymouth breakwater and the River Yealm, the distance by water being three or four miles from Plymouth.

The scheme of which Messrs. Hawsham and Dobson, of London, are the engineers, is estimated to cost between two and three millions if it is carried out, as the idea of the promoters is to reclaim a huge harbor from the sea. Four breakwaters are to be constructed running out from the land to enclose an area of 1,000 acres of water.

The two proposed graving docks, one thousand and the other eleven hundred feet long, would accommodate the largest liners yet afloat or even contemplated. The promoters believe that the scheme can be carried out in two years.

At London the proposed drastic changes in the administration and general scope of the port involved in the Port of London bill, now before parliament, are causing much discussion. The measure has passed its second reading and is before a joint committee of both houses.

The main principle of the bill is the constitution of a single public authority to control the Thames from Teddington to a line drawn across the river fifty-one miles below London bridge. The new body is to supersede the five authorities which at present regulate the river, the Thames conservancy, the three great dock companies, and the Watermen's company. It will buy out the dock companies, and will take over their immense business upon terms to which they have agreed. Port stocks are to be issued for the fixed capital of the companies, to an amount slightly less than the nominal figure. Holders of conservancy stock will receive an equivalent in Port stock. The stocks are not guaranteed, but their security is to consist in the port dues which the new authority will have power to levy. So far, the bill merely provides for the substitution of a single control for a divided control which is in some sort the relic of ancient monopolies. The various dispossessed authorities will be represented upon the new body. It was originally proposed that the port authority should consist of twenty-five members, of whom ten would be appointed, and fourteen besides the chairman (unless he is chosen from outside) will be elected of the ten appointed members, the admiralty would be represented by one, the Board of Trade by two, the London county council by five, the city corporation by one, and Trinity house by one. The elected members were to be chosen by payers of dues, owners of river craft and wharfingers, and provision is made for the representation of other interests. The powers proposed to be vested in the port authority are very large. It may regulate other dock undertakings, construct new works, acquire land, and it is charged with the duty of improving the port of London generally. As the necessity of constituting the new authority has chiefly arisen from the fact that the port of London, if it is to remain the greatest shipping centre in the world, requires not only considerable reorganization, but extensive improvements. It follows that money must be expended upon these objects. To this end, the port authority is empowered to increase the duties on tonnage and on the registration of barges. It is also empowered to levy dues on goods.

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The Vadsco carried, included in her cargo, the outfit and effects for a new store to be established on the Queen Charlotte Islands at Massett, by Jas. Martin, an eastern man. On her last trip the steamer made a special call at Skidegate. Included among the passengers brought south were Mrs. Kirby, proprietor, and W. Dyson, manager of the Queen's hotel, and two surveyors sent north by Mr. McGregor.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ALL-RED LINE

Possibilities of Fast Service Connecting Britain and Antipodes via Canada Being Discussed

The Quebec correspondent of Shipping Illustrated says: "Now that the general elections are over, and that the Liberal party has been returned to power with a strong majority, the possibilities of the All-Red line are again discussed in the press. The fundamental object is to use Canada as an intermediary or connecting link between England and the British colonies in the Pacific. The Canadian government has been authorized, at the last session of Parliament, to negotiate with Australia and New Zealand, for the establishment of the line on a solid basis. It is said that the new enterprise will require an annual subsidy of \$5,000,000, which would be paid as follows: Imperial government, \$2,500,000; New Zealand, \$500,000; Australia, \$375,000, and Canada the balance, viz., \$1,625,000. The actual annual subsidies paid to steamship companies by the Canadian government form a total of \$679,673. It is expected with the 'All-Red' line to reduce by 12 days the passage between Australia and Great Britain.

The saving in time that would be gained through the operation of the 'All-Red' line can be demonstrated as follows: Great Britain to Vancouver, 9 days; Great Britain to New Zealand, 25 days, as against the present service of 7 days to Canada, 12 days to Vancouver and 38 days to New Zealand."

A story was circulated last night to the effect that the steamer President had founded. The steamer has been tied up at San Francisco for some time. Where the rumor originated is not known. As near as it could be traced it came from "a lady who had heard it from a tailor," and where the tailor heard it from could not be ascertained.

A new steamship line from Tacoma, Seattle and San Francisco to Honolulu has been established by the Matson Navigation Company. The steamer Hyades has arrived at Tacoma to load for the inaugral trip. The Hyades was formerly in the fleet operated by the Orient by the Boston Towboat Company. Operating with her were the steamers Pleiades and Lyra. The three freighters were withdrawn from the run more than a year ago, and placed in the Alaska service. Later the steamers carried lumber and the Hyades was finally sent to the Atlantic with cargo.

The United States gunboat Phœnix, a relic of the civil war, is going to be rebuilt and placed in commission on San Francisco bay as a towboat. The vessel was built in 1860 and served for a number of years in Alaskan waters, and later as a naval militia vessel at San Diego. She was recently purchased by Captain Leffingwell, who fitted her with new engines and boiler.

The Norwegian steamer Angot, which has arrived at San Francisco from Guaymas in ballast, will come to Puget Sound to load lumber for Australia.

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Sir—In my communication which you were good enough to print this morning the types made me say that the annual subsidy to be paid in perpetuity to the province in exchange for the Mainland railway belt is \$1,000,000, instead of \$100,000, an error so palpable as to scarcely need correction.
In your editorial comment you re-

mark that the E. and N. grant has been employed in discharge of the trust for which it was created. Allow me to ask if the trust under which the railway belt was transferred to the Dominion has not also been discharged? I make no reference to the Pacific River lands there having been no trust in their case, the convenience being absolute upon the completion of the E. & N. Railway and the dry dock? This is a large question. I hope to see it well discussed in a trenchant article from your pen, and if I should be found in error I shall hasten to make the amende. D. W. HIGGINS.

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Toronto	28,130,000	19.2
Winnipeg	20,329,000	28.9
Vancouver	3,894,000	1.4
Ottawa	3,366,000	3.1
Quebec	2,395,000	14.6
Halifax	1,709,000	12.3
Hamilton	1,555,000	19.4
Calgary	1,058,000	30.2
St. John	1,075,000	10.4
London	1,105,000	24.4
Victoria	1,084,000	15.3
Edmonton	867,000	17.1

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade tomorrow will say: Colder weather brought a better retail demand for seasonal merchandise, and holiday trade made good progress, but assortments are not wholly satisfactory because of the conservatism of many dealers who favor adequate stocks. As conditions are steadily gathering, and the number of unemployed is decreasing, there is an effort to augment supplies that necessitates overtime work by shipping departments. Industrial activity is maintained, except where it is customary to limit operations for inventories at this season. Recent advances in pig iron are to provide for the needs of 1909, while the steel industry is almost normal, except for the big railroad contracts that are still deferred. Commercial payments are gradually improving. Railway earnings thus far reported for November were 0.9 per cent less than in 1907.

Money rates continue low, however, and foreign exchange is held close to the gold export point by the return of securities from Europe.

Commercial failures this week in the United States were 237, against 204 last week, 252 the preceding week, and 316 the corresponding week a year ago. Failures in Canada number 40 against 25 last week, 26 the preceding week and 20 last year.

Bradstreet's state of trade tomorrow will say: Colder weather has stimulated retail trade throughout Canada, and especially in heavy dry-goods and winter wearing apparel. Holiday trade in the older sections is only fair as yet, but in the west, business in this respect is moving freely. Business failures for the week were 38, against 25 last year.

AMUSEMENTS

Arion Club Concert

Next Tuesday evening at the Victoria Theatre the Arion club will open their seventeenth season with a concert. Tickets have been mailed to all subscribers, and any wishing to secure tickets for the season can do so by applying to W. S. Goodwin, secretary, or to Herbert Kent, at Waltz's Music store. The subscription prices are one ticket for each of three concerts, \$2.50; two tickets, \$4; three tickets, \$5; four tickets, \$6.

Mrs. R. H. Pooley and Mrs. Hermann Robertson will assist the club, and Miss Miles is to act as accompanist.

A feature of the club numbers will be the singing of the Chant Nationale of Canada, "O, Canada," which will be heard for the first time in Victoria. This was originally composed for mixed voices, but has been arranged for male voices by the club's conductor.

Mrs. Pooley will contribute two vocal solos to the programme and will also take part with the club in "The Legend of the Bended Bow." One of Mendelssohn's Concertos for two pianos will be given by Mrs. Robertson and E. H. Russell.

Another feature of the numbers will be the "Idyll Mongolienne," a chorus in pigeon English of the words "Sing a Song of Sixpence."

The box plan will open on Saturday morning at ten o'clock at the theatre.

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the author has chosen the Lone Star State's name "Texas" as the title of the play, which truthfully pictures the lives and characters of the people of these great Southern plains. The author spent many years in Texas, and is fully acquainted with its people, the country and the characteristics of both. The play is beautifully staged. Every detail has been carefully worked out by the artists who were given photographs of the scenes where the drama is located, showing the adobe building at Buckhead ranch with the sunburned walls, the stone curbed well, with its old-fashioned sweep and dried drinking gourds, and a hundred other little touches of "atmosphere"; swagging cowboys, Texas rangers, grascers and vaqueros, a ratchman and his admirable wife and daughter and a few samples of Old World civilization supply the needed characters of the play. "Texas" will be seen at the Victoria theatre for one night only, Monday, Dec. 7.

"The Devil"

Henry W. Savage's companies are now producing the only correct and authorized version of Franz Molnar's remarkable Hungarian play, "The Devil," in New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Chicago. The performance of this furore-creating play in the Victoria theatre on Wednesday, Dec. 9, for one night only, is by permission of Mr. Savage and company, and scenic effects up to the high standard set by this famous producing manager.

"Arizona"

After the performance of "Arizona," which by the way appears at the Victoria theatre next week, the evening of Feb. 21st, in Chicago, the audience was slow in leaving as the lobby was crowded because of the pouring rain outside. A number of people were still in the auditorium as the ushers hastened to their usual duties of dressing the chairs and balcony in their night clothes. As the lengths of white canes were swung over the box railings from above, two young fellows gazed curiously at the process.

"I wonder what they are doing?" said one to the other.

"Most likely decorating for tomorrow," was the reply; "don't you remember that tomorrow is Washington's birthday?"

"Sure enough," assented the first speaker, then giving another observant look at the canvas fluttering into place over the balcony, he questioningly continued: "But I didn't know that they decorated with white flags."

The New Grand

There will be a ten cent children's matinee at the New Grand today, and the week will close with the usual two performances tonight. A splendid bill includes Patterson's bronze statues; Jas. J. and Myra Davis Dowling in a "Snap Shot"; the two Ingrams, club jugglers; John Fields, Jr., in monologue and song; and the illustrated song, moving pictures and overture.

Victoria Theatre

Crowded houses seem the order of the night at the Victoria theatre; Madame Nordica charmed a splendid audience on Wednesday evening, while on Thursday evening and last night all seats were occupied at considerably lower price by the patrons of the animated pictures. Those who paid from \$1.50 to \$5 to be entertained by "The Queen of Song" left the theatre delighted with their wise investment, so did they who expended tenth of a dollar to gain admittance to the moving picture show. Patrons pleased, management likewise. The same programme will again be given this afternoon, at the matinee at 2:30 p.m., when the children will be afforded a rare treat for 5 cents. The management has very kindly invited the children of the Protestant Orphanage to the afternoon performance. A good two hours' programme will be presented this evening at the popular 10 cent price.

MANITOBA PROTESTS

Seats of Seven Out of Eight Conservative Members Elected Are Attacked By Liberals

Winnipeg, Dec. 4.—Protests have been filed under the Dominion controversial elections act against seven of the eight Conservative candidates returned in Manitoba in the federal election of October 26 last. The petitions are against Alexander Haggart, Winnipeg; G. H. Bradbury, Selkirk; G. Campbell, Dauphin; W. H. Sharpe, Lisgar; Dr. Roche, Marquette; W. D. Staples, Macdonald, and A. J. Meighen, Portage la Prairie, and with the exception of Winnipeg and Selkirk, are almost entirely on statutory grounds. In these two there are special counts, some of the points of which are of considerable interest.

The statutory grounds named in the petitions are briefly as follows:

That the candidate by himself, by his agents or by other persons on his behalf, has been guilty of bribery, treating, personification or undue influence, each of which terms is defined under the act.

That they have been guilty of giving or lending, agreeing to give or lend, offering or promising money or other valuable considerations to persons entitled to vote.

That they have been guilty of making loans, gifts, offers, promises, procurements and agreements.

That they have been guilty of advancing money for other persons to use in the securing of votes.

That they have been guilty of providing, either directly or indirectly, drinks and other refreshments for voters, in order to unduly influence them.

That they have been guilty of undue influence and intimidation, or endeavoring to intimidate or influence voters.

That they have hired or promised to pay for the hire of carriages or other conveyances to carry voters to and from the polls.

That they have raised a central or general fund with which to pay the expenses of persons travelling to and from the polls, and that tickets and money were supplied voters from that fund.

That they were guilty of personation or inducing others to personate qualified voters, and that persons previously found guilty or corrupt practices have been employed, contrary to statute.

VENEZUELA THREATENED

Dutch Warships Make Demonstration Off Coast—Castro Thought to Have Ducked

Willemstadt, Dec. 4.—Three Dutch warships, the battleship Jaco Van Heemskerk, with the cruisers Friesland and Gelderland, have made a demonstration against Venezuela. To

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INTERNATIONAL LAWS FOR WARFARE ON SEA

Object of Conference Held in London on Britain's Invitation

London, Dec. 4.—The conference of the powers, called by Great Britain, for the framing of a code of laws for naval warfare and for the formation of the international prize court recommended by the Hague congress, was opened at the Foreign office today. With an interval for the Christmas holidays, it is expected that the conference will continue until about February 1.

At the request of the British government, the powers which accepted invitations to take part in the conference have forwarded a list of subjects which they consider should be discussed. The United States, France, Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Austro-Hungary, Russia, Spain, Holland and Japan will be represented. The American delegates are Rear Admiral Charles Stockton and Prof. Geo. Grafton Wilson, of Brown University. Great Britain will be represented by the Earl of Desart and Captain Charles L. Oudey, director of naval intelligence and secretary of the committee of imperial defence. An address of welcome was delivered by Foreign Secretary Grey.

At the suggestion of Germany the powers have submitted their views on various points. Great Britain, the United States and Japan are agreed in principle, at least on the most important proposals, and they may be expected to work in accordance with the probable support of France. There are wide differences of opinion between those powers and the other six countries represented. Great Britain stands alone in supporting the rights of a belligerent to search neutral merchantmen proceeding to an enemy's port under the escort of a warship flying the same flag. She claims the right of search under these circumstances while the other powers contend that the guarantee of a neutral power should be sufficient to protect its vessels from molestation. It is probable, however, that Great Britain will concede this in return for some point she considers more essential.

Great Britain is desirous of abolishing contraband entirely. America and Japan do not go so far, but they would agree if only munitions of war should be declared contraband. The continental powers will urge the continuation of the present system under which the belligerents declare what is contraband.

Great Britain, Japan and America agree on the method of blockading, contending for the right to seize blockade runners at any time or place. This is opposed to the continental view that only warships actually engaged in blockading have the right to seize vessels. The same powers oppose the continental contention that a belligerent has a right to destroy seized vessels before trials, as was done for instance by Russia with British merchantmen during the late war.

The conference will differ on the responsibility of a neutral power for a ship leaving one of its ports as a merchantman and afterwards being transformed into a man-of-war as in the case of the Alabama. The United States naturally supports the view that the neutral power is responsible, very strongly, and she finds support not only from France and Japan, but also from Great Britain. The other powers represented take the opposite view.

The right of belligerent ships to coal in neutral ports also has divided the conference into factions. America, Great Britain, Japan, and France contend that a ship should make but one visit to a neutral port and be given only sufficient coal to carry her to a home port. The other powers, however, hold that a ship should be allowed to visit a neutral port and fill up with coal as often as she can.

Other questions largely technical will be considered.

Today's session was brief. The foreign secretary in his address thanked the various governments represented for having accepted the invitation to the conference. He declared that Great Britain was actuated by the single object of assuring the success of the prize court convention drawn up at The Hague. "This convention," he said, "is firmly established and will remove many difficulties which have hitherto been potential causes of contention among the nations."

TO RECLAIM MESOPOTAMIA

It is an historical fact that the area between the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers in Turkey-in-Asia, consisting of about 3,000,000 square miles, has a population of from ten to fifteen millions, where it now contains less than one million. In other words the once flourishing land of Nebuchadnezzar is now almost a desert waste, with countless ruined cities, and only here and there a hamlet marking an oasis which has been preserved from desolation. Of course, the reason therefore, upon the deterioration of this territory, is the announcement of the Turkish Government that they have engaged Sir William Willcocks to supervise the contemplated irrigation and canalization works in Mesopotamia and elsewhere. Some four years ago Sir William Willcocks intranced an audience in Cairo by his description of the great irrigation works on the Tigris and the Euphrates, and his forecast of the possibilities of reconstructing them on modern scientific principles. In the cold weather of 1905 Sir William visited Bagdad and made a rough survey of the country. Upon his return to Bagdad he gave enthusiastic estimates of the future of this ancient country. The new constitutional Government of Turkey has given Sir William the opportunity he has long sought, and his plans have been accepted by the Young Turk Party in control with enthusiasm. "The future of Turkey lies in Asia," has become the motto of the day. The main idea of Sir William's schemes may be gauged from the fact that rough estimates place the irrigable land at nearly 3,000,000 acres, the expenditure at \$105,000,000, and the capital value of the land when irrigated at \$300,000,000. The possibilities are vast.

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VICTORIA DAILY COLONIST



NOTICE.

Session of the Legislative Assembly 1909

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE BILL.

NOTICE is hereby given that the representations placed upon certain lands in the vicinity of Lower Kootenay River, District of Kootenay, have been presented to the British Columbia Gazette on the 14th August, 1884, and bearing date of 13th of August, 1884, is cancelled, for the purpose of disposing of such lands by public auction, and to permit of giving effect to the recommendations contained in the report of Mr. W. F. G. commissioners appointed to adjudicate upon the claims of certain squatters upon the said lands, but for no other purpose.

ROBERT A. RENWICK.

Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 6th October, 1908.

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Dated this twenty-fourth day of November, 1908.

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Victoria, B. C., the 3rd December, 1908.

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Dividend No. 4, amounting to 10 per cent, will be paid by the Trustee at No. 20, Exchange Street, Victoria, B. C., on and after Tuesday, the eighth day of December, 1908, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., to the creditors who have proved their claims to be entitled to rank on the above estate.

Kindly remember that interest certificates have to be produced.

B. S. HEISTERMAN,
Trustee.

The authorizing exercise of the Captain's powers by By-Law, save in matters of administrative detail, which may be by resolution.

To repeat Section 10, 12, and 13 of said Act of 1873 and to enact that water works taxes shall be deemed to be due to the Corporation and collected by the Corporation and otherwise to provide for securing and enforcing payment for water supplied.

To give to the Corporation power to use water for producing any form of power or for producing and generating electricity for the purpose of light, heat and power, either within or without the City, that all powers, rights and franchises granted by law to the Corporation shall be applicable to the use of water for power purposes and giving to the Corporation the following powers—

Power to construct works;

To convey power by wires and places for carrying wires on lands or otherwise to secure the same;

To construct all necessary buildings and works and maintain and operate the same, extending the powers of expenditure to waters for power purposes;

That any arbitration to ascertain compensation under Water Works Acts be referred to the Council, provided that under section 251 of the Municipal Clauses Act;

And such incidental and necessary powers as are involved in the foregoing or may be conveniently used therewith.

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VALUES ARE EXTRA GOOD TODAY

Another Big Day in the Coat Department

More \$30 and \$35 Women's Coats for \$13.75

During the first days of our Great Coat Sale we sold the majority of the Coats we offered at this price. For today we have selected another lot of our very best lines, and have put them in at this low price. You will certainly be surprised to see the coats that you can buy at this price. Some of our most attractive models and best selling styles are included. Rich, handsome coats of plain broadcloths, some plain, some elaborately trimmed with silk braids and other fancy trimmings. These are shown in black, as well as other colors. Stylish and smart coats made of fancy tweeds are also to be seen. In fact this is without doubt the best coat bargain of the season, \$30.00, \$35.00, and some that were more, model garments, today \$13.75

Saturday Sale of Waist Flannels

New Goods. Regular 50c. Today, 35c

This is another lot of goods that should have been here long ago, a delayed shipment, so we have marked them at a low price to clear them quickly. They are a nice quality of flannel suitable for waists, in attractive designs and colorings in both light and dark shades. It is a shame to sell such goods, especially new goods just out of the case at such a price, but it is so late in the season that we wish to move them right out. They are good widths, and while we have a good quantity it would be well to buy early and get first choice. Regular value 50c. Today 35c

Men's Boots on Sale Today

Regular \$4.00 Boots, Today, \$2.75

This is one of the best boot bargains for men that we have offered for some time, and is worth looking into. 100 Pairs MEN'S BOOTS of high grade American manufacture, genuine gun metal calf, Blucher cut, new half wing tips, on a smart, dressy, and good fitting last. Worth \$4.00. Today \$2.75

Men's Department Values Today

MEN'S FANCY HANDKERCHIEFS, durable silk finish, white ground, with fancy colored hemstitched borders. Special, each 12½c

These Bargains in Gloves
AT 50c—Boys' Kid Gloves.
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MEN'S COLORED SILK FOUR-IN-HAND TIES, same quality silk as the 50c grade, a variety of shades and patterns to suit all tastes. Special 25c

Men's \$2.00 and \$2.25 Sweaters \$1.45
MEN'S SWEATERS, a nice weight and splendid quality of worsted, pretty fancy designs, regular \$2.00 and \$2.25. Today \$1.45

COLORED SILK FOUR IN HAND TIES, in rich fancy silks, plain silks and plain poplins, a large assortment from which to select. Special 50c

75c and \$1.00 Silk Ties 50c

A beautiful lot of Silk Ties, just the right thing, just the right patterns and qualities of silk usually sold at 75c and \$1.00. This is the best lot of Xmas neckwear we have ever shown at 50c

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BOYS' FANCY SWEATERS, extra good quality of worsted in fancy designs, regular \$1.25 to \$1.75. Today 95c

MEN'S NATURAL WOOL MIXTURE SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, shirts double-breasted, good winter weight. Per garment 50c

Special Values on Sale Tonight at 7.30

The values offered for tonight are in line with what we have had on sale during the week, and they have been exceptionally good. These bargains won't last long at these prices:

A 7.30 Sale of Aprons

This sale should be of particular interest. Aprons make nice presents, and these are considerably below what you usually have to pay. We offer two prices, as follows:

35c and 50c Colored Aprons for 25c

COLORED APRONS, made of good quality cambric in fancy patterns, medium and dark shades, also of plain cambric. These aprons are good full size and are neatly trimmed with white braid. They are the style, with bib and pocket. In the lot are also some made of cream holland, strapped with white braid, reg. values 35c and 50c. 7.30 to-night 25c

50c and 75c Muslin Aprons for 35c

A very nice lot of Aprons are these. They are in the style with bib and the style without. They are made of nice qualities of white lawn, some are finished with deep hems, others with a frill. In some cases the bibs are neatly trimmed with Swiss embroidery in others the bibs are plain or finished with frills. Regular values 50c and 75c. 7.30 to-night 35c

7.30 Sale of Men's Vests

\$1.25 for \$2.50 to \$3.50 Vests

This is the best vest bargain we have offered for a long time, and these lines should only last for a very short time tonight. There is a splendid assortment to choose from, patterns that run from very light shades to the darkest effects. Some of the patterns are very neat and pretty, others are showy and striking. No matter what your taste may be you will find something to suit you in this lot. Regular prices \$2.50 to \$3.50. 7.30 to-night \$1.25

7.30 Values in the Annex

Two Good Lines for Tonight Selling

China Cups and Saucers, with gold line decorations. This is a bargain worth taking full advantage of. Special 7.30 to-night 10c

China Berry Sets, including 12 saucers and 1 large bowl, in assorted floral decorations. Regular value \$3.50. 7.30 to-night \$1.75

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WALL PAPERS for bedrooms, halls and dining-rooms. 7.30 tonight 6c

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